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Israel, Egypt to hold first joint session in Sinai today

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Israeli and Egyptian military representatives will this morning hold their first field session in the UN-controlled buffer zone east of the Suez Canal to inaugurate their joint meetings, aimed at implementing the Sinai interim settlement which U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger helped to achieve on September 1.

The interim accord came into force on October 10 when Israel added its full signature to the accord protocol, which it initialled in Geneva following the U.S. Congress approval on the deployment of 200 American technicians at early warning stations to be set up on the new lines separating Israeli and Egyptian forces.

Today's meeting will take place at UN post 512 north of the buffer zone under the chairmanship of Lt.-Gen. Ensio Siilasvuo, Chief Coordinator of UN forces in the Middle East. The UN headquarters in New York yesterday dispatched James Jonah, Principal Officer for the Under-Secretary General for Special Political Affairs, to assist Gen. Siilasvuo at today's meeting.

Both Israel and Egypt will be represented by military personnel and no civilians from either side will take part, apparently on Cairo's insistence that the field talks be confined to military affairs. The Israeli delegation comprising three high-ranking officers will be led by Aluf Herzl Shafir while the Egyptian team including the same number of members will be headed by Gen. Taha el-Magdoub.

In response to Egyptian requests, the parties agreed to bar newsmen from covering today's meeting. Only a UN TV crew has been permitted to record the event. The Egyptians were reported to have asked to hold their joint meeting with the Israelis "in a peaceful and quiet atmosphere."

Today's meeting inaugurates the establishment of the Egyptian-Israeli Joint Commission which was agreed upon in article VI in the annex of the Sinai interim "agreement between the Government of the Arab Republic of Egypt and the Government of Israel." That article said that "the parties hereby establish a joint commission for the duration of this agreement" which was said would "remain in force until superseded by a new agreement."

The same article said that the joint commission "will function under the aegis of the chief coordinator of the UN peace-keeping mission in the Middle East in order to consider any problem arising from this Agreement and to assist the United Nations Emergency Force in the execution of its mandate..."

Gen. Siilasvuo yesterday told *The Jerusalem Post* that today's first meeting of the joint commission will deal with "matters pertaining to the implementation of the new Sinai accord, particularly with regard to the southern area," stretching along the oil zone on the eastern coast of the Gulf of Suez.

Barring an emergence of unexpected problems, the joint commission was unlikely to hold its second meeting before the end of November or the beginning of December, by which date the first phases of the interim agreement would have been carried out in accordance with a defined timetable. This includes:

- November 15, 1200 hours: the transfer by Israel to UNEF of the Ras Sudar zone including the local oil field which Israel had already handed over on October 10 to American oil technicians representing Egypt.
- November 16, 1200 hours: the transfer of the said zone by UNEF to Egypt.
- November 24-30:

(i) UNEF enters the entire Suez Gulf coastal zone of the Abu Rodeis zone and the dispatch by Egypt of technicians to the oil installations there.

(ii) Israel forces leave that zone at 1200 hours, November 30.

- December 1: At 1200 hours the transfer by UNEF to Egypt of the said coastal zone linking the port city of Suez with Abu Rodeis.

In this area, UNEF will assure that there are no military or para-military forces of any kind, military fortifications and military installations; the peace-keeping force will establish checkpoints and have the freedom of movement necessary to perform this function, the agreement says.

The Abu Rodeis area includes two road junctions which will be used jointly by the Egyptians and the Israelis, who will be pulling back to areas close to that zone.

The joint commission's meeting on the second phase of the interim settlement will by then focus on the northern area whose basic timetable begins on January 12-13 with UNEF moving eastward beyond the southern tip of the present buffer zone to take over its new strip from Israeli forces. The process of the Israeli pullback in the northern area, including the Gidi and Mitla passes, is scheduled to be accomplished on January 22 by which time American technicians would have taken positions at early warning stations, including one to be set up for Egypt by the U.S. to match the Um Khashiba post which Israel would continue to maintain west of the passes.

Histadrut may not recognise [s]trike c'ttee

Jerusalem Post Staff

[TEL] AVIV. — The Histadrut Central Committee decided yesterday [that] its recognition of the El Al [work]shop workers committee will be [annu]lled today unless the strikers [resum]e normal work.

[A] statement issued after yesterday's meeting said this means that [the] works committee will not be [autho]rized to raise demands nor [sign] agreements on behalf of the [work]ers.

[Act]ing Histadrut Secretary-General Yehoshua Woshchina said this [does n]ot mean cancellation of the [electi]ons in which the incumbent [comm]ittee was chosen. Thus the [comm]ittee will still be legally responsible to the workers and for the [agree]ments that it had previously [signe]d.

[Lab]our federation leaders did not [expec]t the withdrawal of recognition to have an effect on the strik[ers] who apparently support the [work]s committee. "I don't think this [will e]nd the strike," Woshchina told *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday. "[The]re is no one, decisive, factor," [he ad]ded.

[As]ked how he intended to try to [end] the strike, the Ahdut Ha'avoda [leade]r smilingly whipped out a min[iature] size Tehilim (Psalms) book, [in a gr]een plastic cover. "You've got [to cl]arify disputed points, convince, [apply] pressure. There is no one [way]," he said.

[Me]anwhile, losses piled up by El [Al du]ring the seven days of strike [yeste]rday topped the IL10m. mark. [Ove]r over 11,000 El Al passengers [have] been transferred to foreign airlines. The strike was in its seventh [day] yesterday.

[In] spite of the dispute, El Al offices the world over continue to re[port] brisk business. Yesterday saw [the t]ransfer of an additional 1,960 [passe]ngers to foreign airlines and [the] cancellation of 16 scheduled [fligh]ts.

[Mos]t all of the passengers transferred to foreign airlines were able [to r]eport enjoyable journeys. The [passe]ngers of an Alitalia jumbo, [subs]tituted for an El Al jet, told [an] Itim reporter here yesterday [eveni]ng that it had taken them almost three days to reach their destination here. The weary travellers [said] that after their take-off from [Kenn]edy airport they were first re[route]d to Boston for an unscheduled [landi]ng there. The reason: a bomb [scare].

[Near]ly three hours short of Lod the [plane] again came down to an unscheduled landing — this time at [Athe]ns, where it emerged that the [crew] had flown their maximum time [perm]issible, and were entitled to [a 12-]hour break.

[Th]e weather was partly responsible for the delay of yet another [grou]p of passengers from Teheran. [The] principal grievance was, however, directed against El Al for sum[moni]ng them five hours early to [Teh]ran airport for their trip on [a G]ermanair charter plane. Arriving [i]n Israel during the early morning, they were re-routed to a military [fie]ld in the north as Ben-Gurion [was] closed because of the heavy [morn]ing mist.

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U.S. again delays arms for Israel

By WOLF BLITZER
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON. — The U.S. arms pipeline to Israel is once again not moving according to schedule, informed diplomatic sources here said yesterday. Shipments of new equipment and spare parts already contracted for by Israel are being delayed, the sources said.

Secretary of State Kissinger, during a meeting with Israel Ambassador Simcha Dinitz last week, explained that the delays are the result of "bureaucratic and technical" problems in the Pentagon, and are not "political problems," the sources noted.

Kissinger, who reportedly told Dinitz that he was aware of the problems and would look into them, insisted that the current delays had no similarity to the five-month slowdown on arms shipments to Israel that resulted during the recently-concluded Administration reassessment of Middle East policy. Arms deliveries to Israel had been expected to be placed on an accelerated schedule after conclusion of the Sinai accord.

Defence Minister Shimon Peres, who was in Washington last month for talks with Kissinger and Defence Secretary James Schlesinger, had been promised that considerable quantities of weapons would be sent to Israel during subsequent weeks.

But Israel is disturbed that the arms that had been promised for delivery earlier this month have not yet been shipped, the sources said.

Kissinger is reported to have told Dinitz that Pentagon officials were holding back the deliveries out of concern that the large shipments would dangerously draw down existing American stockpiles. The Secretary is said to have claimed that the "certain circles" in the Defence Department were afraid that U.S. availability of the weapons and spare parts, as well as current production schedules, were not large enough to meet Israel's present needs.

But some American political observers in Washington, sympathetic to Israel's situation, are not accepting Kissinger's explanation, arguing that the Secretary could get the arms moving to Israel if he really wanted them to be shipped.

These observers added that Kissinger may be holding Israel on a "tight leash" in order to pave the way for another round of negotiations with Syria over the Golan Heights. The Secretary is said to

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Gen. Francisco Franco, now ill, chats with Venezuelan ex-Public Works Minister, Luis Baez Diez, in El Pardo Palace last Wednesday. This is believed to be Franco's last photo before he fell ill. (AP radiophoto)

FRANCO SAID IN CRITICAL STATE

MADRID. — Generalissimo Franco suffered an attack of heart inflammation yesterday and his condition was critical, sources close to the government said.

The sources said it was planned that Franco would hand over power to his designated successor, 37-year-old Prince Juan Carlos de Borbon, last night.

Following reports yesterday that Franco had suffered "an acute coronary crisis" rumours were rife in Madrid that he would hand over power.

In New York the American Broadcasting Company interrupted a regular television programme yesterday to report that White House officials had been advised that Franco had died. A Spanish official said that at the time of the broadcast, Franco was in fact meeting with his Prime Minister.

Spain's legislative body, the 561-man Cortes, was reported to have been summoned. The report could not be confirmed officially.

Premier Carlos Arias Navarro went twice yesterday to Franco's palace, where the chief of state was attended by his wife and daughter and a team of specialists. Between the two trips the Prime Minister conferred with Juan Carlos.

Prince Juan Carlos remained in his palace a few miles from Franco's residence throughout the day. He held his normal audiences and saw callers ranging from Latin American military attaches to the Mayor of Seville.

Although there was no official statement from the Spanish Government some sources insisted last night that Franco has "begun his official rehabilitation."

Juan Carlos took over from Franco for 40 days in the summer of 1974, after the general had suffered a near fatal attack of acute phlebitis in his right leg. Franco assumed full power when he recovered.

Political observers said they expected that a second transfer of power to the prince would be permanent.

Franco was first reported ill Friday from a mild attack of flu that forced him to leave a cabinet meeting early. Doctors were reported to have detected a fluctuation in his heartbeat then. The general was said to have improved over the weekend and walked around his palace and watched a soccer game on television.

Spokesmen then said Franco was cancelling military audiences scheduled for yesterday.

Spanish newspapers, after waiting five days, yesterday reported the general recovering from the flu and said the cancelling of audiences was to facilitate Franco's total recovery.

Franco also suffers from Parkinson's disease. *(AP, Reuter, UPI)*

Court asked to stop sending workers on leave

TEL AVIV. — Representatives of El Al's maintenance workers yesterday asked the District Labour Court to enjoin the airline from sending employees on a forced vacation — but the court decided to hear both sides on the issue tomorrow.

Meanwhile, many of El Al's clerical workers showed up for work as usual yesterday, though they had little to do at their desks. Members of their works committee said the forced vacation could only apply to workers who had accumulated more than 52 days of annual leave — but the rest were entitled to have their leave discussed with them in advance.

El Al sent large numbers of workers on forced leave to minimize its overhead, as its flights were grounded by the mechanics' strike since Thursday. The maintenance workers told the court work regulations called for at least 14 days' advance notice of sending workers on vacation. El Al, they charged, is using the mass media to argue its case, but does not deal with the problems directly. *(Itim)*

Congress warns UN on anti-Zionist resolution

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON. — As of late yesterday afternoon (midnight Israel time) nearly 100 members of the House of Representatives had signed a resolution warning the UN that the U.S. Congress would reassess its financial support of the international organization if the General Assembly equates Zionism with racism. An identical resolution was introdcued in the Senate yesterday by Senator Richard Stone and was being circulated.

The joint resolution, backed by the leadership of both major parties in both chambers of Congress, is to be presented to the U.S. Ambassador to the UN, Patrick Moynihan, with the request to distribute copies to all delegates prior to the General Assembly's plenary session which is expected to act on the Third Committee's draft.

In another move, the conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations has urged President Ford not to begin supplying Egypt with U.S. arms.

In a letter from Conference President Israel Miller, the Jewish organization warned that U.S. arms supplies to Egypt would recklessly endanger the present arms balance in the Middle East.

The Presidents Conference noted that under President Ford's leadership tensions in the Middle East have begun to relax, but that U.S. arms to Egypt would have a negative effect.

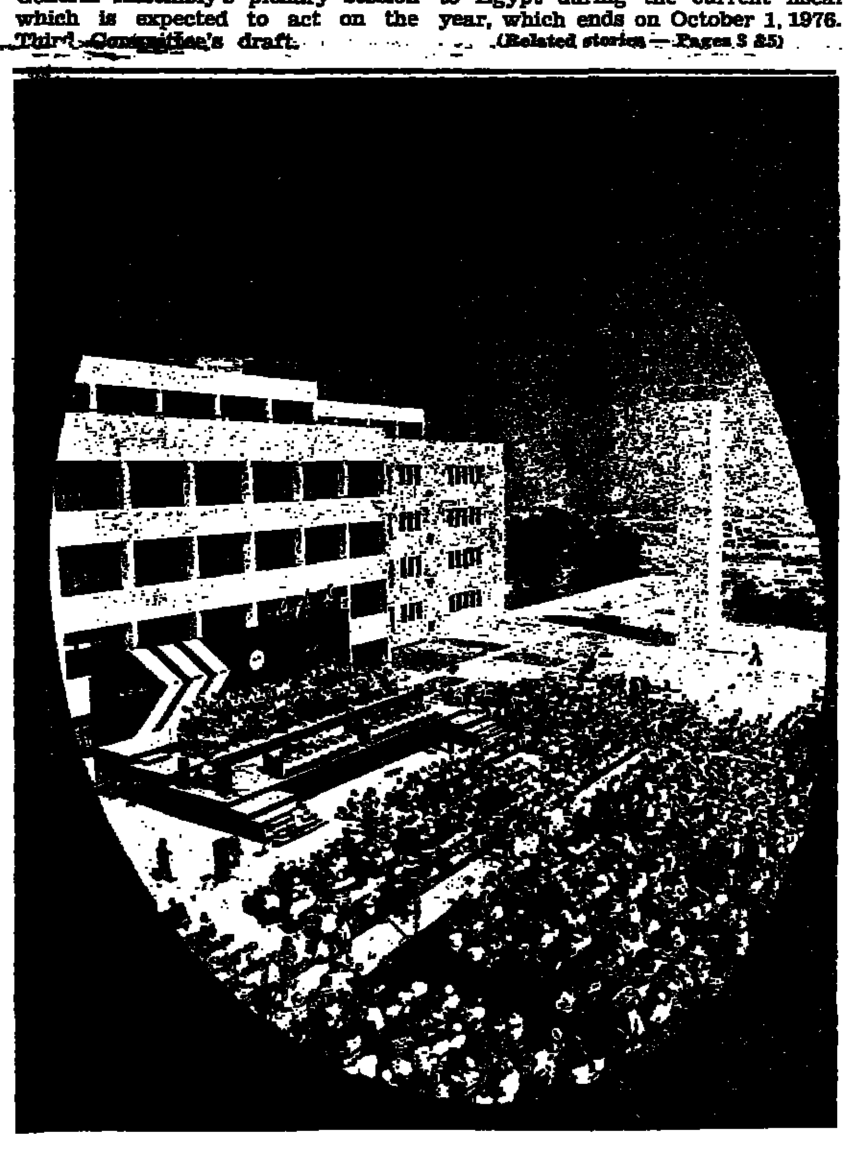
Secretary of State Kissinger has assured Israel that no substantial amount of U.S. arms would be sent to Egypt during the current fiscal year, which ends on October 1, 1976.

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Company meals to be tax free

Workers will not be charged income tax on one benefit — meals provided by employers, up to a maximum of IL120 per month — according to a recommendation made yesterday by the Income Tax Reform study committee, headed by Arnon Gafny, Director-General of the Finance Ministry.

The unanimous recommendation was to allow a maximum of IL1,440 per year to workers for meals served at the plant, and to recognize the outlay as a deductible expense for the employer. This will take effect only after an appropriate legislative change is made in the Income Tax law. *(Itim)*



View through a window at yesterday's reopening ceremony of Hadassah on Mt. Scopus. (Werner Braun)

Return to work in Golan

By YORAM HAMIZRAHI
Jerusalem Post Reporter

MAJDAL SHAMS. — Life in the Northern Golan returned to normal for the Druse villagers after being disrupted by the attack on an Israel patrol three days ago, and the Syrian violation of Israel air space on Monday and last week.

The Druse returned to work in their fields right up to the border, and families from both Israel and the Golan Heights came to the "fence of tears" where they exchanged greetings with relatives from the Syrian side through loudspeakers. Large numbers of Druse from the village of Jerema, on the outskirts of Damascus, came right to the border in buses and private vehicles.

In Kuneitra, Syrian engineers continued fortification work, with dynamite explosions heard — and occasionally seen — on the Israel side. Along the northern sections of the border, however, Syrian shepherds were noticeably absent, and two villages — Khan Arnaba and Jabbat el-Khashab — were all but deserted. Kuneitra also had only small numbers of soldiers and policemen, with the customary Syrian visitors to the town not to be seen.

Austrian soldiers of the UN forces in Position 22 near Kuneitra were sunbathing. One of them told newsmen the situation was calm. UN forces' headquarters said there was no reason for any alerts — but UN soldiers were reportedly preparing for possible renewal of hostilities by digging in and installing prefabricated bombshelters.

Civilians in Golan settlements said necessary precautions had been taken, but it was felt the Syrians were increasing tensions as a tactic—in anticipation of the expiration of the UN forces' mandate on November 30.

Beirut shaken by heavy barrages

POST Middle East Affairs Correspondent

Beirut last night was rocked by a new round of murderous sectarian warfare with heavy barrages rocking several suburbs as well as the central areas of the Lebanese capital, now in its seventh month of civil strife.

Beirut radio quoted security officials as saying that most of the Lebanese capital's roads were unsafe, with the reappearance of armed men and roadblocks. Scores of persons were believed to have been killed and several others wounded. An undisclosed number of people were reported missing or kidnapped by the rival factions.

A mortar barrage had earlier in the day struck the headquarters of Lebanon's security forces located near the Hotel Dieu de France in the Christian district of Ashrafiya. Three security officials and a civilian were wounded seriously, it was reported.

The Lebanese Parliament met yesterday under strict security precautions to re-elect Kamel el-Ass'ad as Speaker. The failure of Parliament to intercede in Beirut's events has drawn the wrath of Lebanese newspapers which charged that the House was serving nobody but its own members' ambitions.

Premier Rashid Karami yesterday voiced his suspicions that Lebanon was unlikely to recover from its crisis unless political reforms were introduced to balance Christian-Moslem power in the country.

Christian leaders, who feared that they might lose control in Lebanon to a growing Moslem majority, now constituting 60 per cent of the population, insist that reforms be discussed only after security is restored and state sovereignty is re-established.

The Christian leaders charge that Lebanese *Moslems* were being instigated by the Palestine Liberation Organization, which has also rallied leftist circles behind its claim for an independent presence in Lebanon.

Lebanon's most prominent leftist leader, Kamal Junblatt, yesterday arrived in Damascus to attend meeting of a new group calling itself the "Arab Front for the Consolidation of the Palestine Revolution."

In Cairo, President Sadat was yesterday quoted as telling the Arabic service of the BBC that the conflict in Lebanon will not be resolved as long as certain Arab circles continued to intervene there. He did not name these Arab quarters but was believed to have referred to militant Arab regimes collaborating with the PLO in the current Lebanese unrest.

4,500 weapons are stolen in Germany

[BON]N (AP). — A total of 4,490 [weap]ons, including 90 anti-tank [rocke]ts, were stolen in West Ger[many] in the 12-month period end[ing l]ast January 31, "Bild" report[ed y]esterday.

Police besiege house [w]here IRA hold Dutchman

[DUB]LIN. — About 200 soldiers [and] policemen last night were be[siegi]ng a two-storey house where [kidn]appers held their Dutch hostage [at gu]npoint in an upstairs window [whil]e bargaining with officials down[stair]s.

[As] darkness fell, troops erected [searc]hlights and trained them on [the] house.

[Af]ter 18 days, police scored a [dram]atic breakthrough in the kidnap of businessman Tiede Herrema, 52, by finding the hideout on the quiet St. Evin's Park housing estate and charging inside amid a flurry of warning shots from the two Irish Republican Army kidnappers holding him.

No one was hurt, but the police evacuated the surrounding neighbourhood in Monasterevin, 48 km. south of Dublin, and called in scores of reinforcements, including armoured cars and marksmen, to surround the house.

Herrema, seized near his Limerick home on October 3, appeared in the upstairs window with one of the kidnappers, Eddie Gallagher, 27, holding a gun to his head. The other kidnapper was named as Marian Coyle, 19, an IRA activist from Northern Ireland.

"I will shoot him if you make a move," shouted Gallagher, who is said by IRA sources to be ready to fight to the death for his demand for the release of three IRA prisoners. One is his common law wife heiress turned revolutionary Bridget Rose Dugdale.

Police officers at the scene said Gallager later shouted that he had tied explosives to himself and would blow up the house if security forces try to rescue Herrema.

First reports from police sources said the talks "are not going very smoothly."

"At the moment," a police spokesman said, "we are trying to talk the gun out of his (Gallagher's) hand."

A police announcement said "negotiations are going on in an effort to persuade the kidnappers to release Dr. Herrema unharmed." *(UPI, AP)*

Hadassah reopens on Mt. Scopus

By JUDY SIEGEL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Standing on Jerusalem's Mt. Scopus in the courtyard of Hadassah Hospital — once the scene of enemy shelling and violent death, but now renewed and rebuilt — Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin yesterday invited "any man, woman or child across our borders" to come to Israeli hospitals for care and treatment.

"This is our heritage," he told the 2,000 persons who came to witness the rededication of the hospital, "a belief that human life is a sacred absolute and the healing of man is a cherished ethic."

The Prime Minister traced the hospital's proud and sometimes sad history since 1939, when "it showed our striving to share our development with others and it exhibited our oneness as a people. But no; there was no similar response from our neighbours. They determined that there was to be no peace."

Then came 1948, and "the only visible link between Jewish Jerusalem and the mount was the twice-monthly miniature convoy of policemen the Jordanians let through." Seventy-eight doctors and nurses died in an ambush on the road to the hospital. The hope that the hospital would one day be restored to its destiny of healing never failed. On Hanukka, "as you walked down King George Avenue in the evening hours, you looked across and saw the grand *hanukkiya*... burning defiantly in the distance from that beleaguered little enclave called Scopus."

With the victory of the Six Day War, the Prime Minister continued, "the division of the capital city of Jerusalem ended for all time," and the plan to revive the hospital and turn it into a place to serve the 100,000 residents of East Jerusalem and elsewhere took shape.

U.S. Ambassador Malcolm Toon praised Hadassah leaders for their "courage and foresight and deep human faith" in stipulating that the hospital be open to people who had fought previously on opposite sides. "We who operate on the national and international political levels," he added, "are inspired by your example."

The world today, said the Ambassador, must find ways of promoting new communities of interest among neighbours. "We as nations must be true to our own be-

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Blast in Argentina

BUENOS AIRES (AP). — Marxist revolutionaries shot and killed a provincial policeman yesterday and threw handgrenades at his home, wounding his nine-year-old son. Three bombs exploded in Santa Fe, north of the capital, at a furniture store, the home of a lawyer and the home of a bus line owner. No victims were reported.

The latest attacks came a day after the government sent Congress a proposed national defence law creating a national intelligence central and a military committee to escalate the fight against terrorism.

Cargo through Canal delayed

Jerusalem Post Diplomatic Correspondent

An Israel-bound cargo which was to have passed through the Suez Canal today or tomorrow will not now make the voyage, and the transit of the first such cargo will be postponed for "several days," informed sources said in Jerusalem yesterday.

The delay was caused by "loading and technical reasons," the sources said. They stressed that there were no political obstacles in the way of a cargo transit, and once the various technical problems had been overcome a cargo would go through. They indicated that this would be before the end of the month.

This will mean, in effect, that the sailing will coincide with President Sadat's visit to Washington — and he is certain to make use of it in his efforts to foster a benevolent and moderate image of himself in the eyes of American public opinion.

The informed sources here denied, however, that this had been Sadat's design all along: to delay the transit until the date of his Washington visit. They insisted that unavoidable technical problems had prevented an earlier sailing.

In Port Said, Suez, a ship carrying Israeli cargo that was expected to pass through the Suez Canal tomorrow has postponed its journey 10 days. They could give no explanation for the delay, AP reported.

Officials in Port Said said an Egyptian military officer attached to the Arab Boycott of Israel Office had arrived there to inspect the Israeli cargo. "He showed us the government's approval to allow the ship with its cargo to transit the Canal," the source said.

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Weather synopsis: The change of direction in airflow to northwest brings moister and cooler air into our region.

	Yesterday's Humidity	Yesterday's Min-Max	Today's Min-Max
Jerusalem	14	17—30	16—28
Golan	7	20—31	18—28
Nahariya	77	15—31	16—29
Safad	13	20—28	18—25
Haifa	43	24—33	20—29
Tiberias	16	18—34	17—31
Nazareth	9	23—34	21—31
Afula	14	13—34	13—32
Shomron	38	22—31	19—28
Tel Aviv	82	18—27	17—27
B-G Airport	54	15—32	15—30
Jericho	13	17—35	17—33
Gaza	77	18—28	17—27
Beersheba	31	15—33	15—30
Eilat	13	20—38	20—35
Tiran	16	22—34	21—32

Social and Personal

President Ephraim Katzir was among the guests at a reception held Sunday evening to celebrate the Bar Mitzva of Shmuel, son of Dr. Moshe Mandelbaum, Director-General of the Commerce and Industry Ministry, at the President Hotel in Jerusalem.

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Tourism Minister Moshe Kol yesterday entertained to lunch at the Knesset the members of the Rockland County Israel Bond Delegation.

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The Lina Halper House, a dormitory to house 60 students on the Hebrew University's Mount Scopus campus, was dedicated on Monday in Mrs. Halper's presence. Prior to the dedication ceremony, she was guest of honour at a luncheon hosted by Hebrew University President Avraham Harman.

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An exhibition of 30 paintings by Matuszuzak of Paris was opened on Saturday at the Atelier Reggie Weston, 260 Rehov Hayarkon, Tel Aviv.

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The Director-General of the Finance Ministry, Mr. Arnon Gafny, will speak (in Hebrew), on the "New Economic Policy" at today's meeting of the Haifa Rotary Club, Shulamit Hotel, at 1 p.m.

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Dr. Tatyana Babchin-Herzenberg, formerly Associate Professor of English Literature at Riga University, will speak on "Solzhenitsyn and Other Russian Dissidents" at the regular weekly Jerusalem Rotary Club meeting at 1 p.m., at the YMCA, today.

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The Haifa branch of the Israel Diabetes Association will hold a meeting tomorrow, at 7.30 p.m., at Beit Harofeh, Rehov Wingate. The guest speaker will be Dr. Alexander Ravina.

ARRIVALS

Agriculture Minister Aharon Uzan, from Germany (by Swissair).

McGeorge Bundy, president of the Ford Foundation, to meet with Israeli heads of research and education grant funds, and learn about the use made of Ford Foundation grants.

Andre Shneider-Manouri, at the head of a four-man delegation from the French Atomic Energy Commission, as guests of the National Council for Research and Development.

Charles Horton of Chicago, publisher of "Plumbing Supply House Times," and Mrs. Horton, for a week's visit, under the auspices of the Israel Bond Organization.

EGGED PROMISES:
'Public won't feel' tomorrow's strike

By YITZHAK OKED
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — An Egged management spokesman yesterday promised that the public "will not even feel" the strike planned for tomorrow by the bus cooperative's 2,700 hired workers.

The decision to strike — mainly for better pay and tenure conditions — was announced by the hired men on Monday at a press conference in which they also criticized the way the cooperative is being run. The employees have the backing of the Histadrut.

Zeev Kirshner of the Egged Secretariat said yesterday that the cooperative would pull out its veterans from behind their desks to drive the buses if necessary. Angered by the employees' criticism, the management has cut off all contacts with the hired men unless they take back the words they uttered at Monday's press conference, he said.

Kirshner claimed most of the disputed issues had been settled: the management was studying the list of workers for whom a higher grade is demanded; concerning tenure, the management was to have discussed this last Sunday but was busy negotiating with the Government for a multi-million-pound loan; concerning the firing of three hired workers, an arbitrator had been assigned.

Commenting on the Histadrut's support of the one-day warning strike, Kirshner said the labour federation was not "objective" and did not know all the facts. He threatened that Egged cooperative members would turn in their Histadrut cards if the federation "does not act more objectively."

Aaron Sittner adds from the Knesset:

The Director-General of the Transport Ministry yesterday promised the Government would not sign any new agreement with Egged without first giving full details of such a pact to the Knesset Economic Committee.

Testifying at the Committee's meeting, Ehud Shilo also pledged the Transport Ministry would seek committee approval before granting Egged's request to help finance its early retirement fund for hundreds of drivers.

The committee — in a long session devoted to Egged's alleged dire financial straits — questioned Shilo on the nature of the Government's obligations to Egged. Some committee members wanted to know if the Transport Ministry was aware of the fact that it is in effect accepting a "cost-plus" arrangement in its relationship with Egged, i.e., the government is being asked to cover the cooperative's operating deficits without being given a voice in the practical management of the company.

The members also criticized what they said was "insufficient data" on the ties between Egged's management and the company's subsidiaries. They cited claims that these subsidiaries are being used as a cover-up for transactions over which there is no supervision.

Shilo said the Government's present subsidy arrangement is based on the recommendations made by the Kashti Commission back in 1971. However, experience in the past two years has shown that rapidly rising costs coupled with a drop in use of public transport have led to unexpected operational deficits by Egged.

He told the committee that the moneys now being transferred to Egged — to tide it over the current crisis — are actually loans at usual bank rates. One of the conditions of this aid was that a Transport Ministry "observer" would sit in as a Government representative at Egged management meetings, and report back to the Ministry.

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Peled appeals to teachers for patience

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Education Ministry yesterday asked elementary schoolteachers to be patient for another few weeks and to avoid strike threats until pay irregularities caused by computer mix-ups can be finally cleared up.

Ministry Director-General Elad Peled asked Teachers Union head Shalom Levin, MK, to tell teachers not to flood regional salary offices with inquiries about pay slips. He said the many inquiries are keeping officials from preparing current salaries and clearing up the backlog of work on outstanding back pay.

Peled admitted that his officials had been unable to keep to the timetable for making back payments agreed upon with the teachers.

The backlog in the teachers' pay has built up over two years since the Ministry switched from one make of computer to another.

'No container ships being sent to Ashdod Port'

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The shipping companies have stopped sending all container and roll-on-roll-off vessels to Ashdod harbour, due to the strike by the mechanical workshop personnel.

The companies have informed the Shippers Council that both import and export container cargoes will now be shipped through Haifa Port only, a special meeting of the council, called to discuss the Ashdod situation, was told. Exporters have been told to send such cargoes to Haifa only.

The Zim company alone has lost IL280,000 from the hold-up of container ships in Ashdod, the meeting was told.

The council decided to appeal to the Ports Authority to take immediate steps to stop the sanctions, to prevent serious troubles as the citrus export season gets under way.

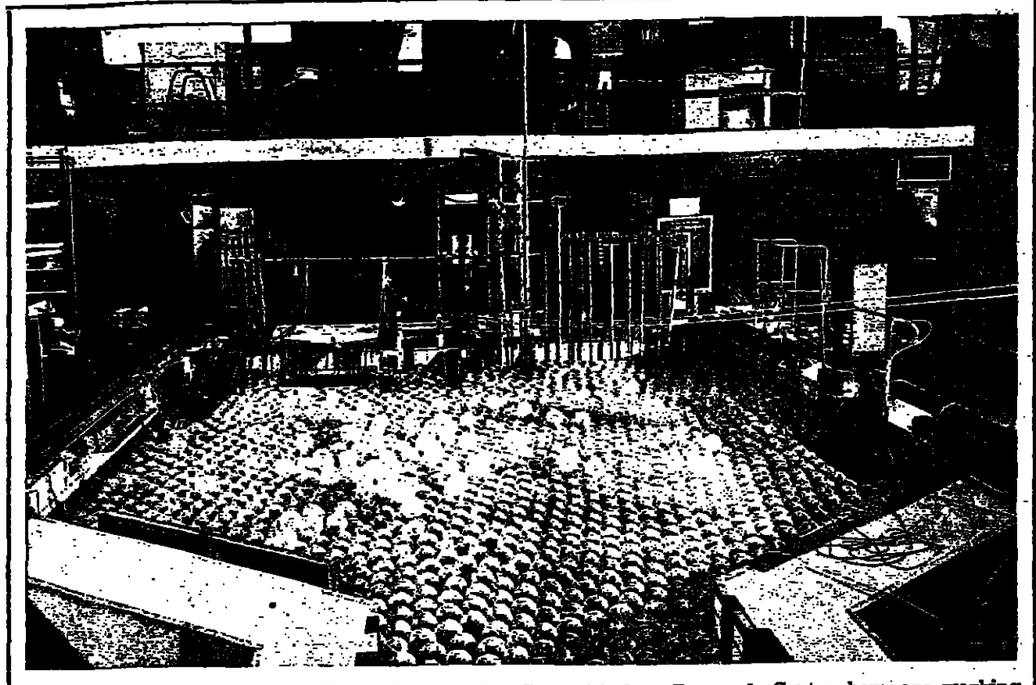
Ashdod port spokesman Haim Shushan told *The Jerusalem Post* that he did not know of any roll-on-roll-off ships being re-routed from Ashdod to Haifa. Two such ships are expected to arrive at Ashdod today, he added.

The partial strike of the workshop workers ended on Monday and they are now trying to catch up with the backlog, he said.

OTHER DISPUTES

In other labour disputes:

- Some 50 Bank Leumi branches closed down at 5 p.m. yesterday instead of at 5.30, because management and employees differed on the amount of extra payment for the half-hour overtime involved.
- The Negev Phosphates company yesterday assured its workers that no change in their labour contract would be made without their prior agreement. The workers have declared a labour dispute because of the impending merger of Negev Phosphates with the Arad Chemicals conglomerate, fearing that this would entail economy dismissals.
- Works committees representing some 1,800 employees on Monday voted to declare a labour dispute over the Government's alleged failure to rectify inequalities and "distortions" existing in the wages paid to employees in the various departments.



About 70 per cent of the 440 workers at the Sorek Nuclear Research Centre here are working on research projects which have industrial, agricultural or medical uses, newsmen were told during a tour yesterday. Some of these are the sterilization of medical products by Gamma rays, the changing of colour in diamonds induced by radiation, and the tracing of air circulation and sand movement with the aid of isotopes. In the picture, the reactor building is shown with the floor filled with plastic balls to prevent evaporation of water.

Defence spending to rise in 1976
But no increase in GNP

By GIDION ESHET
Jerusalem Post Economic Reporter

The Gross National Product will reach IL90,575m. in 1976, compared with IL71,665m. in 1975. This is a 26 per cent nominal increase — which in fact means no real increase.

According to Treasury figures which will be presented to the Cabinet on Sunday, both private consumption and Government non-military spending will not increase in real terms. However, defence consumption will increase by 54 per cent in nominal terms and reach IL36,150m., compared with IL23,505m. this year.

Based on this figure, the defence budget for next year will be about IL35,000m. Thus, defence expenditures will be about 38 per cent of the GNP, compared with 31 per cent this year.

The main item to suffer as a result of this development is investments. They are expected to be IL26,725m., compared with IL22,545m. this year — a nominal increase of 18 per cent, which is about a 10 per cent decline in real terms.

The state budget is expected to reach IL83,00m., compared with IL60,000m. this year. The budget deficit is estimated to be between IL5,000m. and IL7,000m. — compared with the IL1,500m. deficit planned in this year's budget.

Here are some additional figures (all prices refer to millions of pounds, at current prices):

Item	1975	1976	Nominal increase	Real change
GNP	71,665	90,575	26%	none
Imports	53,865	78,190	45	
Exports	26,965	39,920	44	10-11%
Private consumption	44,500	57,470	29	none
Public consumption	31,470	46,650	48	
Civilian	7,965	10,500	31	slight increase
Defence	23,505	36,150	54	significant rise
Investments	22,545	26,725	18	10% decrease!
Deficit in balance of payments	$3,500m.	$4,100m.	17%	
Rate of exchange	IL7.68/$	IL9.33/$	21%	

The deficit in the balance of payments will increase by about 17 per cent and reach $4,100m., compared with $3,500m. this year. The deficit will be financed by a $2,500m. grant from the U.S., which consists of $2,300m. to be approved next month by the U.S. Congress and $200m. remaining from this year. The rest will come from donations of world Jewry and loans from various banks, including a $100m. loan from the International Monetary Fund.

Defence budget row continues

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

The Defence Ministry and the Treasury are still as much at loggerheads as before over the issue of cuts in the defence budget.

The Knesset subcommittee on the defence budget was told on Monday that the Defence Ministry was prepared to cut IL1,250m. from that part of its budget expended in local currency, but the Treasury argued this was not enough.

The savings would reflect the Defence Ministry's agreement not to raise its budget to make up for the latest devaluation and price rises. One way the ministry planned to achieve these savings was by dismissing 5,000 employees from defence jobs. It also planned to dismiss 1,000 men from the Regular Army, replacing them by conscripts.

The subcommittee, composed of members of the Finance Committee and the Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee, was briefed by Defence Minister Shimon Peres, his adviser, Aluf (Res.) Israel Tal, and his economic adviser, David Kochav.

Public asked for donations to save rare manuscripts

An appeal to the public was launched yesterday to raise funds to help retrieve — for Israel — a collection of rare Jewish manuscripts scheduled to be auctioned off in Zurich next month.

The collection belonging to the Sassoon family, formerly of Bombay, is said to be worth several million dollars and includes the "Damascus Pentateuch" and a manuscript of the Rambam.

The fund-raising campaign was initiated by the Hebrew University with the encouragement of the Ministry of Education and Culture. The public is asked to contribute whatever it can to one of the following banks, all in Jerusalem:

Discount Bank, 11 Ben Yehuda, Acct. No. 550051; Barclays Bank, 64 Jaffa Rd., Acct. No. 16225; Postal Bank No. 520205/5; Bank Hapoalim, 33 Jaffa Rd., No. 67300; and Bank Leumi, 21 Jaffa Rd., No. 62040.

Simultaneously, the Education Ministry spokesman has announced that Jewish philanthropists throughout the world are being contacted for large individual contributions.

Cigarette shortage looms as Dubek workers spurn overtime

Jerusalem Post Staff

TEL AVIV. — A cigarette shortage throughout the country may be developing, as Dubek workers refuse to work night shifts.

The workers reportedly do not find it worthwhile to work night shifts ever since the income tax reform came into effect.

A Dubek official yesterday admitted there were shortages of Time cigarettes on the market, but claimed this was temporary. He attributed the shortage to a chain of events — beginning with the recent price increase, the Id el-Fitr Moslem holiday (Arab workers went on leave), and ending with a breakdown of several machines.

But aside from the problems in the Tel Aviv plant, Dubek ran into trouble in Safad as well. Its processing centre there, which gets Galilee-grown tobacco, will close at the end of this month for lack of tobacco.

The plant's 42 employees sent a protest letter to the Prime Minister, charging the problem was not in the plant, but in mishandling by the Government's Tobacco Growers Council. They warned they would stage a sit-down strike in Jerusalem until their future employment was assured.

The Agriculture Ministry, they charged at a press conference yesterday, had reneged on its promise to send all domestically grown tobacco to the centre. Although Dubek paid advances on this year's crops, the council preferred to export most of the harvest to Greece.

This year's crop of under 500 tons was low because of the council's policies, workers and management representatives said. Yet, the council sent its chairman abroad to sell the raw tobacco — some of which will then be imported by Dubek. This was the "height of bureaucratic frivolity," they said.

New plan for MKs' car allowances

Jerusalem Post Reporter

A new system of reimbursing Knesset members for transportation, now being discussed, will provide one set of allowances for MKs owning private cars and another for those who use public transport.

Hitherto all MKs got IL500 travel allowance, regardless of where they lived and whether they had cars or not.

Coalition chairman Moshe Wertman, who chairs the subcommittee on MKs' salaries, told *The Post* that MKs who own private cars and use them for their parliamentary duties — and who are ready to declare that they get no car allowance from any other source — will be entitled under the proposal to get an allowance from the Knesset.

The procedures governing payment per kilometre will be the same as in the civil service, Wertman said.

Car-owners will be divided into four groups, based on where they live. In the first group — those residing in the Jerusalem area — the MK will get 1,000 kms. per month.

All the allowances will be taxed, he said.

The old travel allowance of IL500 (also taxed) will be linked to the Cost-of-Living index and will go to those who use public transport.

The proposal will only take effect after it is approved by the House Committee.

MK: Rabinowitz withheld details of oilmen's pay

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

Likud MK Simha Erlich has suggested that Finance Minister Yehoshua Rabinowitz may not have disclosed the full facts about Netivei Neft severance pay to the Knesset Finance Committee.

Erlich, the financial expert of the Likud's Liberal wing, said in a question tabled in committee to Rabinowitz that the discharged employees of the Sinai oil firm were getting more than the 350 per cent severance pay which Rabinowitz announced in committee. He asked the minister to confirm or deny this.

Erlich said that, since the Netivei Neft oilmen worked 20 days per month and had 10 off, they would get severance pay calculated at salary divided-by-two-and-multiplied by-three. This came to 525 per cent in the top brackets, Erlich said. As for the firm's Tel Aviv staff, who would get half of the severance pay of the men at the fields, Erlich also asked whether it was true they would be getting a grant of six months' salary in addition. He said the minister had not made public either of these benefits.

Erlich said he did not grudge the oilmen their benefits, but he felt the minister should have presented the committee with the full picture.

NRP seen sure to OK Hammer for Cabinet post

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

Knesset Member Zevulun Hammer's entry into the Cabinet is virtually sure to be approved by his National Religious Party executive tomorrow night without a fuss, as demands within one wing of the NRP that party ministers keep discipline are steadily weakening.

The vast majority of NRP members agree that their third Cabinet seat, vacant since the death of the late Welfare Minister Michael Hazani, should go to the Young Guard, and that Zevulun Hammer deserves the post.

However, one element in the most important wing of the NRP, the "Lamifneh" wing, suggested that the Thursday night approval for Hammer's candidacy contain a clause obliging all ministers to observe party discipline. Avraham Melamed, MK, told *The Post* that he and Interior Minister Yosef Burg, both "Lamifneh" wing heads, did not insist on this discipline clause. Melamed said that party secretary Zvi Bernstein and some of his colleagues were insisting on it.

But Hammer's own wing, the Young Guard, has warned that it will not send him to the Cabinet if he is to be shackled by any conditions.

Overloaded trucks stopped in Tiberias

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TIBERIAS. — The police have issued several tickets to drivers of overloaded trucks which were stopped at a checkpost opened here this week.

The post was opened after several trucks had caused fatal accidents by plunging down the steep main road through the centre of town. However, the post will only be manned from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Local residents are still pressing for a by-pass around the town.

Allon is not annoyed

Jerusalem Post Diplomatic Correspondent

Foreign Minister Yigal Allon is not annoyed with Defence Minister Shimon Peres. Nor is he annoyed with Ambassador to Washington Simcha Dinitz. Mr. Allon stressed his feelings of goodwill towards both the others in a statement to newsmen yesterday, following reports that he was annoyed with them.

According to these reports, he was annoyed with Mr. Peres for having met "secretly" with Dr. Kissinger, during his recent visit to Washington, without informing either him (Mr. Allon) or Ambassador Dinitz in advance.

Some reports claimed that Allon and Peres had since patched up this unpleasantness — and they were both now annoyed with Dinitz who, they had called a "tale-bearer," and whose handling of ministerial visits to Washington they criticized.

Allon said yesterday he had never voiced any opinion on Mr. Peres' meeting with Kissinger.

As regards Dinitz — he had never called him a tale-bearer and he had never criticized his handling of ministerial visits to Washington.

How to get off the 'blacklist'

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

Jews disqualified for marriage by religious council registrars can appeal the ruling either by seeking declarative judgment from a rabbinical or secular court or by appealing to the High Court of Justice, Justice Minister Haim Zadok said last night.

Briefing the Knesset Alignment faction on the Attorney-General's opinion regarding the "blacklist," Zadok said marriage registrars, like all civil servants, were bound by "natural justice, which compels them to give reasons for denying a citizen's request," and allows the citizen an opportunity to contradict officials' case.

The faction decided to hold further discussions on issues of marriage and divorce in the near future.

Woman tries to set fire to judge's office

TEL AVIV. — An angry woman yesterday poured petrol on books and case files in the chambers of District Court Judge Yitzhak Shilo, but was prevented from lighting it by a courthouse clerk who grabbed her arms as she reached for a match.

The woman came into the chambers unannounced and shouted demands at Judge Shilo for return to her two children who had been taken from her and put up for adoption.

The woman, apparently, had somehow obtained the two children when they were several days old, and raised them for two years. When the welfare authorities learned of this, and that the woman was unmarried, they asked the court to take the children away and put them up for adoption. Judge Shilo did so 18 months ago.

Several months ago, after a session before Judge Shilo, the woman assaulted a Welfare Ministry clerk — and was sentenced to three months in prison — but has not served the sentence pending an appeal.

Mayors seek urgent talks on deficits

Jerusalem Post Staff

Leaders of Israel's three [illegible] cities yesterday called for an [illegible] meeting next week with P[illegible] Yitzhak Rabin to discuss the [illegible] financial situation of the local [illegible]rities in Israel.

Meeting in the capital, Jer[illegible] Mayor Teddy Kollek, Tel Aviv [illegible] Shlomo Lahat and Deputy [illegible] Mayor Yeruham Zeisel declared their cities have no means of [illegible]ing money to provide nec[illegible] municipal services. They sa[illegible] Government owes nearly IL[illegible] to local authorities in the c[illegible]

Also attending the meetin[illegible] Holon Mayor Pinhas Eylon, ch[illegible] of the Union of Local Auth[illegible] The municipal leaders asked t[illegible]nance Minister Yehoshua Rabi[illegible] and Interior Minister Yosef [illegible] also be present at the meetin[illegible] Rabin.

The Knesset Interior and E[illegible]mental Protection Committee [illegible] day asked the Union of Local [illegible]rities and the Treasury to c[illegible] terms within 30 days on wa[illegible] meet the additional deficit the [illegible]rities will face in their budg[illegible] results of price increases [illegible] 1975.

The committee also asked [illegible] Interior Ministry to present [illegible] a basic plan of action for im[illegible] the cities' taxation procedures.

Uri Leor, a representative [illegible] Treasury's budget division, t[illegible] committee that the Treasury [illegible] an increase in local rates, [illegible] seeking other ways to cover [illegible]ficits that have been accumu[illegible]

17 Arabs from areas jailed for terrorism

Jerusalem Post Staff

Military courts in Nablus, Jenin and Gaza have jailed 17 Arabs found guilty of sabotage or membership in Arab terrorist organizations.

A court in Nablus on Monday handed down a life sentence on Mahmoud Abu Rus for heading a Fatah cell which had been established to kill local Arabs suspected of "collaborating" with the Israeli authorities. Three other members of the cell received sentences of five to 10 years.

In Gaza, a military court sentenced Zuheir Mahmoud el-Alawi to 25 years for heading a group of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine. Two of his brothers, as well as three cousins and other Gaza residents, received sentences of five to eight years.

In Jenin, 44 high school students went on trial Monday for membership in three terrorist organizations. Seven of them were found guilty after admitting the charges and were sentenced to prison terms ranging from five months to two years.

U.S. arms deliveries

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believe that maximum pressure will have to be exerted on Israel if the Syrians agree to begin such negotiations.

Israeli sources in Washington denied yesterday that the Israel Government was concerned about the delays. They noted that the delays appeared to be purely routine, and not the result of political decisions.

These sources added, moreover, that the first batch of U.S.-made Lance surface-to-surface missiles with conventional warheads would be sent to Israel within the next fortnight, and that was encouraging.

Diplomatic sources here declined to reveal specific military items and spare parts that had been delayed, but noted that they include several different categories.

One school of thought here supporting Kissinger's explanation for the delays contends that the assessment ordered by the President following the collapse of the shuttle has emboldened some Pentagon officials who are not sympathetic to Israel, and that officials are now causing these problems. This school of thought notes that there are anti-Israel circles in the Pentagon which have the power to delay deliveries to Israel.

But other observers here say that if the Administration, specifically President Ford and Kissinger, ordered the Pentagon to get arms moving to Israel, they would be fulfilled quickly. Pentagon officials are, in fact, used to such orders, and would comply, these sources said.

There was hope yesterday that delays would be ended quickly, at the latest, following the visit to the U.S.

The funeral of

MIRIAM SACHER

widow of the late Harry Sacher

who died peacefully at her home in Grosvenor Square, London, on October 18, 1975, has been held privately. A memorial service will be held at the West London Synagogue on Wednesday, November 12, 1975. Those wishing to attend should apply to Miss Puddephatt, Michael House, 47 Baker Street, London, W.1.

The Israel Family Planning Association
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on the death of his
BROTHER ז"ל

We offer sympathy to our colleague
Dr. Hanoch Lev
on the death of his wife
REINA LEV ז"ל
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...orush says he won't ...ive up Knesset seat, ...ignores party vote

Jerusalem Post Staff

...dat Israel MK Menahem Po... said yesterday he would not ...p his seat in the Knesset to ... MK Shlomo Gross, regard... of what his party's Central ...ittee had decided.

...asserted that his commitment ...ade in 1973 — to cede his ...o Gross midway through the ...t Knesset term had been ...ed under duress.

... taking no notice whatso... of what the Agudat Israel ...l Committee decided last ... in favour of Gross. Elections ...e Central Committee haven't ...held for 26 years, so it en... no authority whatsoever," ...Porush told *The Post* in the ...t dining room yesterday. He ...eturned from a fund-raising ...o South Africa the night ...

...sh accused Gross (leader of ...guda's Hungarian faction) of ... to organize the party elec... which he had been entrusted to ...d of exploiting his position ... man who presented his par... for the Knesset elections, ...ract a commitment from him ...sign under duress.

...sh said the chairman of the ... Central Committee, Rabbi ...em Alter, held letters of re... from all three Aguda ... — Rabbis Shlomo Lorincz, ...a Abramovitz and himself. ...oetzet Gedolei Hatora (Tora ... Council) would decide which ...

Porush said he would abide only by the rulings of the Tora Sages Council.

Informed Aguda circles feel the Sages Council is unlikely to involve itself in the dispute. The strongman on the council is the Hassidic Rebbe of Gur — and he would prefer to keep out of the personal squabble between the two politicians.

Legal observers believe that if the issue were taken to the Sages Council, or to some other arbiter, Porush's case would not be strong.

His written undertaking to cede his Knesset seat to Gross midway through the Knesset's term (the deadline passed last week) was couched in the most specific and unequivocal terms and was not conditional upon any future endorsement by the Council of Sages.

Porush backed the commitment with a IL200,000 deposit — which he appears now to have legally forfeited, though Gross has not yet claimed it.

Gross flatly denied to *The Post* that any pressure had been exerted on Porush in extracting the undertaking from him. As proof of this, Gross cited his own willingness to give the same undertaking and deposit the same sum, if Porush wished him to serve the first two years and then take the second two years himself.

The Aguda Central Committee at the time unanimously endorsed this arrangement and last Thursday it reiterated the endorsement, calling on Porush to step down now. There were no gainsayers, though three of Porush's supporters abstained.

Gross seems also on a good wicket morally: he himself stood down in 1972, ceding his Knesset seat, as previously arranged, for one year to Rabbi Ya'akov Mizrahi, who represents the Oriental voters in Aguda.

On Monday, Aguda faction leader Shlomo Lorincz had said that if Porush refused to give up his seat, "he would be the first MK in the history of the Knesset who stuck to his seat on personal rather than ideological grounds."

...V. African Jews to ...eet here next week

...AVIV. — Eight hundred re...tatives from Israel and abroad ...articipate here next week in ...cond World Congress of North ...n Jews, Shaul Ben-Simhon, ...an of the international organ..., told a press conference at ...Sokolow Monday.

...ics of discussion will include ...unity organization abroad and ...ocial gap in housing, educa..., income, and political represent... in Israel.

...participant in the congress ... coming from mainland China, ...imhon said. He is a Peking ...ant of Moroccan origin, who ...e travelling via Teheran on ...merican passport. *(Itim)*

Court allows plea for pardon

Mother, 60, gets one year for mercy killing of son

TEL AVIV. — The Tel Aviv District Court yesterday reluctantly imposed a one-year jail sentence on Aliza Helman of Ganei-Am for the mercy killing of her 37-year-old son, Uri — a cancer victim — last May 13.

The court put off activation of the sentence for four months to enable the 60-year-old mother to apply to President Katzir for a pardon.

The three judges — Haim Bental, Mordechai Czernobilsky and Avraham Khalima — said they were handing down sentence "after considerable soul-searching. This was a mercy killing the circumstances of which are unprecedented in this country's legal history," the court said.

Recounting the tragedy, as put forth by the prosecution, the court noted that Mrs. Helman's son had suffered from terminal cancer for five years. Mrs. Helman had cared for her son herself, taking him to her apartment so that his wife and children would be spared the sight of his immense suffering.

Finally, Mrs. Helman had reached an agonizing decision after her son, who was by this time paralysed and in great pain begged her to put an end to his life. On the night of May 13 she took out her revolver and shot him to death as he slept.

The prosecutor, senior assistant district attorney Sarah Sirota, had "leaned over backward," the court noted, in charging the defendant with manslaughter instead of murder — which would have carried a mandatory penalty of life imprisonment, regardless of the extenuating circumstances.

Commenting on the legal dilemma faced by the courts in dealing with mercy killings, Judge Bental pointed out that the law does not recognize mercy killings as a separate category. "But this situation is not in keeping with the notions of enlightened morality," the judge said, "and there is a growing demand that the law recognize the extenuating circumstances in a mercy killing that is committed at the patient's request."

Up till now, the judge admitted, no legal solution has been found which does not conflict with the principle of the sanctity of human life. The legislator will have to decide on this, but in the meantime the court is bound to maintain the existing laws.

Galilee moshavim want committee to deal with their land shortage

By YA'ACOV ARDON
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — Fourteen mountain moshavim in Galilee, most of them classified as "border settlements," have asked the Agriculture Minister to set up within a week a public committee to deal with their chronic shortage of arable land.

Ever since they were founded, in the early fifties, the moshavim have charged that they have not been granted the land quotas which the settlement authorities themselves had fixed.

A week ago, the moshav settlers clashed with members of Kibbutz Afek, south of Acre, when they tried to take over and cultivate some 3,000 dunams held by Afek "over and above its own generous quota." An "armistice" agreement negotiated by the police laid down that neither side could enter the contested area until next Monday.

"If the Minister of Agriculture does not appoint a public committee to deal with our problem within a week, we shall be compelled to take the law into our own hands and to act as we see fit. And that will mean a struggle not only of the 14 settlements of the Ma'aleh Hagalil District Council, but of 47 moshavim throughout Galilee which are all in the same position," two representatives of the protesters told the press yesterday.

They added: "We have put our case before the settlement authorities — the ministry, the Jewish Agency, the Moshav Movement — time and again, to no avail. But recently we got hold of an official document which shows how much better the kibbutzim fare when it comes to land distribution."

A list, apparently from the State Lands Administration, shows the fertile farm land held by kibbutzim over their official quotas. At the head of the list is Afek, with 3,441 dunams of land privately and publicly owned and cultivated by the kibbutz reportedly since 1938. Kfar Masaryk comes next with 1,260 dunams, followed by Ein Hamifratz (801) and Ramat Yohanan (603).

MK charges fiscal steps causing hardship to poor

By AARON SITTNER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The chairman of the Knesset Social Services Committee yesterday accused her fellow faction member — Finance Minister Yehoshua Rabinowitz — of failing to consider the social implications of the Government's latest economic measures.

"Soaring prices," said Chaika Grossman of the Alignment, "are causing extreme hardship to low-income families, and things will be getting even worse when the Government cuts back on the food subsidy programme.

"Budget cuts have already been announced for child day-care schemes for working mothers. Two-thirds of the families who have been receiving special child maintenance grants will no longer receive this assistance. The maternity allowance has been cut by 60 per cent, and elderly people living alone (not couples), whose National Insurance allowances have not been raised, are now required to pay a considerable part of their monthly rent — an expense that in the past was covered fully by the Institute."

She declared: "It is clear there was no forethought on the part of the framers of the new economic programme about the social implications of their venture. I'm afraid we shall soon witness social ferment in this country."

Mrs. Grossman was backed by other members of the Social Services Committee, from all parties. They agreed that cuts in the Welfare Ministry budget and the food subsidy programme are prime social issues and must therefore not be made by Government officials without prior consultation with the committee.

The committee spokesman said Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin and Finance Minister Yehoshua Rabinowitz will be invited to the committee's next session, devoted to social problems arising out of the new economic policy.

Banks make too much on certain savings schemes

By GIDION ESHET
Jerusalem Post Economic Reporter

A Treasury study reveals commercial banks and other financial institutions are making excessive profits on savings schemes guaranteed by the Government and warns against giving the banks similar concessions in future.

All savings schemes which are linked to the Cost-of-Living Index are guaranteed. However, the banks make different rates of profit on the various schemes.

When a saver invests in bonds which are fully linked to the index and carry 4 per cent interest, the gross cost to the Government is 4.7 per cent and the net cost 3.1 per cent (due to taxes on the interest). The saver receives 2.6 per cent net income, and the banks make half a per cent profit.

The Treasury has established a scale to measure the "efficiency" of a bond by dividing the saver's income by the cost to the government. In the above case, the efficiency rate is 84 per cent (2.6 per cent divided by 3.1).

When this efficiency is compared to similar rates in the other saving schemes, one finds the other schemes less advantageous to the Government:

savings scheme	cost to government	rate of return to saver	rate of return to banks	rate of efficiency
index-linked bonds (4%)	3.1	2.6	0.5	84
Breira bonds	4.7	2.7	2.0	57
10,000 scheme	7.0	4.0	3.0	57
pension funds	6.4	5.0	1.4	78
life insurance	6.3	2.5	3.8	40

The figures reveal that banks advise their customers to invest in the 10,000 scheme because it is most profitable for them. Treasury officials admit the saver receives a high 5 per cent, but point out he loses liquidity (if he wants to withdraw his money before five years are up he loses some of the linkage and some of the interest). Index-linked bonds bring only 2.6 per cent, but the saver can withdraw his money at any time.

The study points out that the Government could issue bonds with the same terms as the 10,000 scheme and thus absorb the present bank profits. The Government costs would then be only 3.1 per cent instead of 7 per cent.

The authors of the study warn against giving the banks such favourable terms for the proposed partially dollar-linked bonds. The Treasury and Bank of Israel have announced they will issue such bonds in order to encourage saving, and the commercial banks have suggested that they offer similar bonds to be guaranteed by the Government.

UJA leader dedicates Netanya nursery school

NETANYA. — The start of a major new education complex in Netanya was marked yesterday with the dedication of a pre-kindergarten named in honour of Sylvia Hassenfeld, national chairman of the Women's Division of the United Jewish Appeal.

Netanya Mayor Avraham Bar-Menahem told Mrs. Hassenfeld and the delegation of 180 UJA women workers she has led to Israel that they were "helping to fulfil the destiny of Zionism" by helping Israel's educational needs.

On Monday, former Prime Minister Golda Meir addressed the UJA women's mission in Tel Aviv. *(Itim)*

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liefs. At the same time, we must cope with a world of sovereign nations and competing wills... We cannot afford the luxury of choosing between what is right and what is possible," he asserted. "We must do both.. (and) combine morality with pragmatism."

The courtyard ceremony — complete with the Police Band playing "Hatikva" and "The Star-Spangled Banner" — was a spectacle the likes of which Jerusalem has not seen for years. Participants entered by walking through an "avenue of flags" sent by each of the 50 U.S. governors, as well as by the mayor of Washington, D.C.

Charlotte Jacobson, national chairman of the Hadassah Building Committee, who presided over the ceremony, said that rebuilding the hospital was a "self-imposed task," a reflection of the Zionist philosophy of the organization's 340,000 members.

Hadassah national president Rose Matzkin, who earlier affixed the *mezuza* at the entrance along with the hospital Chaplain, Rabbi Ya'acov Rakowsky, said that the $40m. hospital was the result of efforts by thousands of committed women.

Among the highlights of the medical centre are a 100-bed underground emergency hospital to be completed next year that will be gas and bomb-proof; a chimney redesigned with "pollution scrubbers" and an all-aluminum therapeutic swimming pool for handicapped patients. Each department will have an intensive care unit (the only hospital in Israel to boast such an arrangement), thus eliminating the need to move seriously ill patients.

Other speakers during the 90-minute ceremony (the sun was so hot that nurses had to hand out cups of water and dignitaries improvised paper hats) were Acting Jewish Agency Executive Chairman Arye Dulzin, Hebrew University President Avraham Harman, HMO Director-General Prof. Kalman Mann and the director of the new hospital, Dr. Uri Khassis.

Others attending were President and Mrs. Ephraim Katzir, Chief Rabbi Ovadia Yosef, State Comptroller Yitzhak Nebenzahl, Mayor Teddy Kollek, HMO chairman Faye Schenk, U.S. Rep. Charles Vanik, Cabinet Ministers and the Mukhtar of nearby Shu'afat, Abdul Majid Abu Hader.

LOTTO the winning six numbers in yesterday's Lotto draw were: 10, 15, 17, 19, 20 and 26. The additional number was 08.

WZO mounts counterattack

By JUDY SIEGEL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

...ndreds of thousands of lapel ... proclaiming "I am a Zionist" ...petitions signed by Jews all ... the world are some of the ...mition to be used by the World ...t Organization in its counter... ...against anti-Zionism in the ...

...ing WZO Executive chairman ... Dulzin told reporters in Jeru... on Monday that the vote in ... committee last Friday calling ...m "an expression of racism ...racist discrimination" was it... ...a thinly veiled expression of ...emitism. He said that the col... of the Communist countries ...he Third World against Israel ...a forum of the UN may por... the beginning of a new wave ...ti-Jewish feeling.

...the regular Zionist Executive ...ag earlier in the day, it was ...d to write to every ambassa... ...in Israel whose representative ... against the anti-Zionist decla... thanking them and asking ... governments to vote the same ...when the subject is put to a vote before the General Assembly.



In addition, a telegram of appreciation will be sent to the U.S. Ambassador to the UN, Daniel Moynihan, "for his special efforts on our behalf."

The WZO will supply Zionist federations and other Jewish organizations abroad with a design for a blue-and-white metal lapel pin with "I am a Zionist" printed within a Star of David. They will be distributed — and worn — by hundreds of thousands of Israel supporters, said Dulzin, who wore one on his lapel at the press conference.

Jews will also be asked to sign a petition denouncing the UN committee's attack on Zionism as "a brutal expression of neo-anti-Semitism." The Jewish communities of Chile, Brazil and Mexico — whose governments voted "yes" in the attack on Zionism at the UN — will be asked to organize and ask their leaders to change their position.

Mr. Dulzin, who immigrated to Israel from Mexico in 1956, was asked by reporters why he thought that Latin American country took an anti-Zionist stance in the UN (especially in light of President Luis Echeverria's recent visit here). The acting Executive chairman replied that it was a surprise to him and that he didn't understand the motivation behind their decision.

Avraham Shenker, head of the WZO's Organization and Information Department, said his representatives would be active in the campaign, as well as a joint WZO-Foreign Ministry committee headed by Ya'acov Tzur, which has already held its first session.

Mounting their own campaign, some 250,000 Wizo members throughout the world will soon sport their own lapel pin, reading: "Judaism is Zionism."



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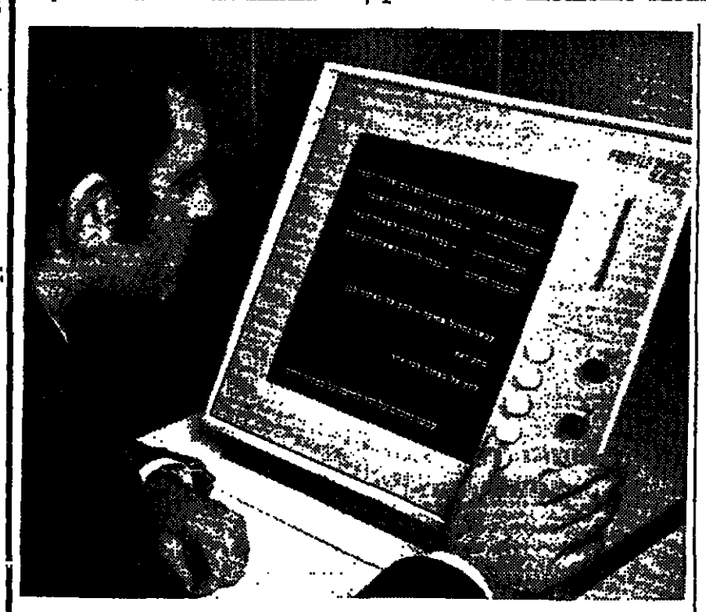
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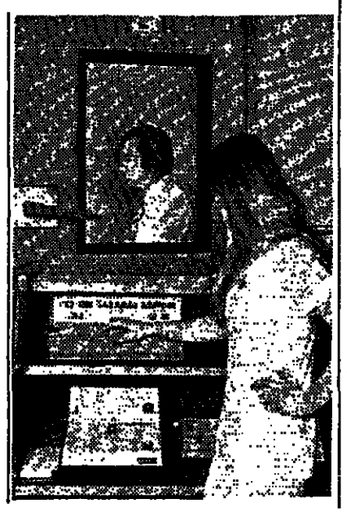
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'Put blast in sewer, then pick him off with a shotgun'

Two held for plotting to kill Ford in Sacramento

WASHINGTON. — Two men were charged yesterday in connection with an elaborate plot to kill President Ford — on the same day he came close to assassination in Sacramento, California, by Lynette "Squeaky" Fromme.

Attorney-General Edward Levi said on Monday night that the two men planned to set off an explosion in Sacramento sewers as Ford strolled in the grounds of the state Capitol building on September 5, then pick him off with a shotgun in the confusion that followed.

But Levi said the plot collapsed because both men — *Gary Desure*, 32, and Preston Mayo, 24, both unemployed — were arrested on theft charges on August 26, 10 days before the Ford visit. They were in a Santa Barbara, California, jail cell, more than 480 km away, on the day the attempt was to be carried out.

A Justice Department spokesman said there was no evidence for linking the alleged Desure-Mayo plot with the pointing of a .45 calibre pistol at Ford by "Squeaky" Fromme in Sacramento last month.

Neither Levi nor Justice Department spokesmen would explain how the authorities became aware that the two in custody were in California to try to kill the President.

Levi's written statement said Desure came from Warm Springs, Montana, and Mayo, from Warren County, Virginia.

Both men were charged by a federal grand jury in Los Angeles yesterday with conspiring to assassinate the President and with making threats against his life. The first charge is punishable by life imprisonment and the second by a maximum of five years.

According to the indictment, Desure and Mayo were to work together in planning and detonating the explosion, then Mayo alone would try to shoot Ford.

In Santa Barbara, where the two men were arrested on charges of stealing a television set, police said detailed plans for killing Ford in Sacramento were found in the back seat of their car.

After the pair were arraigned in Santa Barbara on the theft charges, they were transferred to Los Angeles to face charges of plotting to assassinate Ford.

The grand jury indictment described a strange odyssey covering thousands of kilometres made by Desure and Mayo in the two weeks before their arrest. They first swung east, from Glacier National Park, Montana, to Dixon, Tennessee, and then reversed direction and began a long drive towards the West Coast.

While still in the Midwest on August 19, they wrote down "details pertaining to the equipment and plans necessary to accomplish the assassination attempt."

These details were withheld by the Justice Department in last night's announcement except to say that they involved bombing the Sacramento sewers and firing a shot at the President.

In Santa Barbara, detective Robert Zapata, *who arrested the pair* in the stolen television set incident, said he had "built up a rapport" with Desure, who told him of the alleged plot.

Zapata said Desure told him he had escaped from a mental hospital in Montana where he had been committed for allegedly threatening the President. (There is a mental hospital in Warm Springs, Montana.) *(Reuter, AP)*



Moslems armed with rocket-propelled grenade throwers, light machineguns and rifles aim at a window in Beirut's Ras el Nabeh district during fighting yesterday. (AP radiophoto)

'UN now world centre for anti-Semitism'

France may abstain on Zionist resolution at General Assembly

Israel's former Foreign Minister, Abba Eban, said in a U.S. television interview this week that the UN "is now the world centre for anti-Semitism." Eban termed "a grotesquo fiasco" the resolution passed by the UN Social and Cultural Committee linking Zionism with racism.

Mr. Eban said the U.S. should "withhold its support" from subsequent UN projects as long as it opposed American policies.

The "Washington Star" commenting on the UN resolution, said: "The meanderings of the Third World majority in the UN are often as meaningless as they are outrageous. The action... equating Zionism with racism might be dismissed as another rhetorical excess, inspired by Arab extremists, which changes nothing so far as the facts of the Middle Eastern conflict are concerned. In fact, however, it is far more sinister than that.

"The racist label is especially significant in UN politics. Last summer, the militant Arab states lost a round in their fight to have Israel suspended from the General Assembly, but they have by no means abandoned the effort. South Africa and Rhodesia have been excluded from the UN because of their racial policies, and it is no accident that so-called Zionist racism has been labelled as a form of apartheid.

"There is good reason to believe that the committee vote is a prelude to a new attack on the legitimacy of the State of Israel."

From Paris it is reported that France is considering abstaining in the General Assembly when the resolution branding Zionism as racism comes up for a vote. The French delegation, with the other EEC member states voted against the resolution last Friday in the Social Committee.

French sources said France would be in a difficult situation as the resolution would be presented to the General Assembly as a whole and not article by article as was the case in committee. France would be in favour of certain articles denouncing racism and opposed to the article on Zionism. Because of this was considering the possibility of abstention.

Pro-Israel circles in Paris pressing the government to oppo the resolution as a whole. The circles fear that should the Fren go ahead with their plan and a stain, countries such as Italy a Ireland might adopt a simil stance.

Two of Britain's leading auth — Iris Murdoch and Alan Sil toe — both of them non-Jewi protested in letters to "The Time about the resolution.

Iris Murdoch writes: "It does seem clear that Zionism can p perly be called 'racial discrimin tion.' 'Racialism' is discriminati against other races simply grounds of race.

"It is not, as such, the purs just or unjust, of the interests one's own race...

"A race may of course pur its own interests in a racial manner, but it does not seem be the case that Zionists do Zionist claims may damage interests of various other gro but these groups are not sele for reasons of race. The stubb retention of identity by the J is remarkable, but scarcely 'rac ist' in the pejorative sense."

Sillitoe says in his letter: "Z ism in Israel is trying to creat society based on high democr ideals — in a world which wa be less troubled if it saw such id ism as a model instead of a thin

"As an example of this, in Je salem under Israel jurisdiction th are residents of the three main ligions, and all have free access the Holy Places.

"Like Sir Richard Burton, Victorian traveller, I might one want to visit the sites in Me and in view of this I wonder anyone would like to tell me population, according to the n recent census, of the Christian — Jewish — quarter of that city?"

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North Korean President 'a man intent on war'

UNITED NATIONS. — South Korea told the UN yesterday that any UN endorsement of North Korea's demands would "dangerously increase the probability of war" in the Korean Peninsula.

Opening a debate on the future of Korea, Foreign Minister Dong-Jo Kim claimed that South Korea has been subjected during the past year to "unparalleled abuse and provocations" by the Northern authorities.

He declared before the General Assembly's Main Political Committee that the South wanted some 40,000 American troops to remain on its territory. A North Korean demand for their removal, he charged, was "tantamount to a call for the renewal of war."

In an unusual personal attack, Kim portrayed President Kim Il Sung of North Korea as a man "intoxicated by his own personality cult, a man intent on war and violence."

The North Korea delegate was scheduled to speak later.

At issue is the status of the 25-year-old United Nations command and the U.S. forces in South Korea.

In a resolution, backed by China and more than 40 other Communist or non-aligned countries, North Korea seeks the removal of the American troops and the immediate dissolution of the command.

A rival resolution calls for negotiations with a view to disbanding the command and finding new arrangements to replace the 1953 armistice. It is co-sponsored by the U.S. and other backers of South Korea.

A U.S. official has predicted defeat for the Communist-backed resolution based on a "hard-nose count." And regardless of the outcome, the U.S. says American troops will stay in South Korea under direct agreements with the Seoul Government. *(AP, UPI)*

Burglary bid at Ford office

WASHINGTON (Reuter). — A burglar broke into President Ford's campaign office and tried to force a locked filing cabinet containing lists of political donors and financial information.

Police are investigating Monday night's incident, which immediately revived memories of the 1972 raid on the Democratic party's Watergate headquarters by a team of burglars linked to the Nixon Administration.

Robert Visser, general counsel for the Ford campaign committee, last night said the break-in was non-political.

He said the intruder bungled the job and failed to force open a heavy-duty filing cabinet where small amounts of cash, lists of campaign donors and financial information were locked away.

Visser said the campaign offices were kept open over the weekend because workmen were renovating the building and volunteers used it frequently.

Communists planning show of force

Portuguese party leaders called to peace talks

LISBON. — President Francisco da Costa Gomes summoned leaders of the feuding Socialist and Communist parties to a reconciliation meeting yesterday in an attempt to ease the tensions which have increasingly divided Portugal's two main left-wing parties.

The President acted on the eve of his departure for an official visit to Rome and Belgrade.

The last time the President left, the Prime Minister sent troops to occupy all of the nation's Communist-controlled radio and television stations.

As the key military and political leaders met in the presidential palace, the embattled cabinet went into session at the legislative palace.

As the meetings began, the Communists were organizing a street demonstration for last night to protest against the government's closure of the far left radio station Renascenca. But the slogans suggested for chanting gave it the broader purpose of forcing the ouster of the government itself.

It was to be followed by an even larger protest tomorrow. On Friday, radical troops in the north said they would hold a military conference to organize resistance against the purge of leftist soldiers in that region.

The show of force in the streets and barracks represented the radical left's reply to Prime Minister Azevedo's anti-anarchy campaign aimed at removing the heavy influence of the Communists and other leftists in the government and military.

The latest step in this direction was the official announcement that the pro-Communist civilian governors of the Lisbon, Braga, Castelo Branco and Faro districts were being replaced. In each case, their successors were either linked to the Socialist or the left-of-centre Popular Democratic parties. *(Reuter, UPI)*

Work stoppages delay flights by Air France

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

PARIS. — Air France maintained its flights to Israel yesterday in spite of a rash of stoppages by ground technicians which delayed departures on all its international routes.

The conflict between the workers and the French flag airline management is over promotion. The company recently decided to restrict promotion to between 5 and 10 per cent of its employees. In recent years the level has been between 18 and 20 per cent.

These measures are part of a wide-ranging austerity programme introduced by Air France, which chalked up an $85m. deficit last year.

An Air France spokesman said the airline would have been glad to put on extra flights to carry passengers who were unable to fly by El Al because of the total closedown of the Israeli airline. But he added: "We have our hands full trying to ensure our normal schedule of departures."

Over 2,000 Air France workers paraded past the Orly Airport terminal yesterday in protest against the airline management's economy measures.

Fahd talks of aid to Britain

LONDON (UPI). — Crown Pr Fahd of Saudi Arabia discussed Middle East situation and post major financial aid from his c try to Britain in talks with gov ment ministers and bankers yes day.

The prince, who arrived Mo for a three-day visit, first rece a half-hour call at his hotel Foreign Secretary James Callag British officials described its marily as "a courtesy call." said the two already had held liminary discussions at a di given by Prime Minister Ha Wilson at Downing Street on day evening.

However, they said Prince and Callaghan took the opport to review peace prospects in Middle East.

Officials here said that Br which buys 30 per cent of h from Saudi Arabia, is anxiou ensure there will not be an oil embargo in the event of a Middle East crisis.

Later, Prince Fahd was guest of Gordon Richardson, ernor of the Bank of Englan the evening he was dinner of Chancellor of the Exch Denis Healey.

Neurologist says nothing can bring girl out of coma

MORRISTOWN, New Jersey (AP). — A neurologist testified yesterday that medical science can do nothing to bring Karen Ann Quinlan out of the coma she has been in for six months.

Dr. Julius Korein, who examined Miss Quinlan as well as 200 other comatose patients in the last few years, made the assertion in testimony at a trial of a plea by Miss Quinlan's parents that she be allowed to "die with dignity."

"Can the art of medicine repair the damage?" asked the Quinlan's attorney, Paul Armstrong.

"In my opinion, no," the neurologist said.

"Is there any course of treatment that will lead to the improvement of Karen's condition?" Armstrong asked.

"No," the brain doctor said. "I and many of my colleagues do not believe in saving a life that will lay as a vegetable for 10 years."

During Korein's testimony, Julia Quinlan walked wobbly-legged from the courtroom with tears welling in her eyes. The slender, red-haired woman left in apparent reaction to Korein's description of her emaciated, contorted 21-year-old adopted daughter, who has feeding tubes and a respirator hooked to her body. Karen is in a vegetative state and had difficulty breathing without the respirator, Korein said.

Mrs. Quinlan and her husband, Joseph, were scheduled to testify after Korein. They are seeking authority to disconnect the respirator, which has been keeping their daughter alive for six months.

Another neurologist, Dr. Robert Morse, said Miss Quinlan was in a "chronic, persistent vegetative state" but that she has "awake" and "asleep cycles. He said that in the "awake" cycles Karen's eyes are open and she reacts to pain, noise and light.

He testified that a doctor cannot predict her prospects with certainty, but he said that in his personal opinion she would "never become a functional, cognitive person."

But he said he would not shut off the respirator because several tests showed Miss Quinlan still had brain waves, though abnormal. Morse said she could not be considered dead under any criteria, including the modern "brain death" standard.

"I can't break medical tradition," he said.

'Grand old man' joins Australian conflict

CANBERRA (Reuter). — Sir Robert Menzies, who dominated Australian politics as Prime Minister for almost two decades, intervened last night in the country's bitter constitutional crisis.

With the Labour Government and opposition Liberal and National Country Parties in complete parliamentary deadlock over Prime Minister Gough Whitlam's refusal to call a general election, Menzies swung his power and prestige behind the anti-government forces.

Sir Robert gave his backing to Liberal leader Malcolm Fraser as the government won a fresh vote in the lower house of Parliament for passage of vital budget monetary bills, blocked by the opposition dominated Senate last week.

The 80-year-old former Prime Minister declared that the Senate had the constitutional authority to block money bills. It had the undisputed right to defer or reject the Labour Government's financial measures because of the administration's "record of unconstitutionality" and "misconduct" in the last 12 months, he declared in a statement issued from his Melbourne home.

The confrontation between the government and its opponents is over the linked issues of multi-million dollar Middle East petro-dollar funds, the Senate's authority to block government money supplies and Mr. Whitlam's refusal to call national elections for both houses of parliament.

Ben-Natan says farewell to Giscard

PARIS (JTA). — Outgoing Israeli ambassador to France Asher Ben-Natan yesterday paid a farewell call on French President Valery Giscard d'Estaing.

The 25-minute meeting was described as exceptional by French sources, who said that it is unusual for the French president to receive departing ambassadors. The sources said Giscard had wanted to meet the ambassador to show his "sympathy and friendship," to Israel.

The sources added that French Minister of Justice Jean Lecannuet will visit Israel in January and that a number of Israeli ministers are expected in France next year.

Ben-Natan, who has served in Paris for five years, is due to return to Israel early next month.

Pakistan N-plant

PARIS (UPI). — Pakistani Prime Minister Zulfikar Ali Bhutto said yesterday France was considering a proposal to supply Pakistan with another nuclear energy plant. However, Pakistan would not follow India in producing an atomic bomb, Bhutto said here.

Soviet ballet maste

MOSCOW (AP). — Leonid Y son, one of the Soviet Union's noted ballet masters, is dead 71, Tass reported on Monday. The date and cause of death not disclosed.

Yakobson, who founded his "choreographic miniatures" c ny five years ago, had been master at the Bolshoi theat Moscow and the Kirov theat Leningrad.

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The Chairman was looking well

Kissinger meets Mao for surprise talks

...NG. — U.S. Secretary of ... Henry Kissinger had a ...ise meeting with Chairman ... Tse-tung yesterday after ... the dates for President ...s trip to China.
...saw the frail, 81-year-old ...for one hour and 45 minutes ... residence just after sunset. ...Chinese leader was looking ... Dr. Kissinger said, but he ...ed to give details of the ...ng.
...rces in the Kissinger party ...he dates for Ford's visit here ...this year had been arranged ...would be announced soon.
... unusually lengthy meeting ...Mao may have been because ...er Chou En-lai was too ill to ...r. Kissinger.
...n, 77, China's master admin-...r for 26 years, has not received foreign visitors since September 7. Many of his duties have been taken over by senior vice-premier Teng Hsiao-ping.

While the surprise meeting with Mao took place, some 2,000 guests waited in vain for Dr. Kissinger to turn up at a U.S. reception in Peking's international club.

Earlier in the day, Kissinger had a one-hour discussion with Mr. Teng — their third meeting in 36 hours.

Before meeting with Mao, Kissinger took a break in negotiations and joined China's top diplomat on a march up the hills west of Peking.

"This is the most exercise I've had in six months," Kissinger told Chinese Foreign Minister Chiao Kuan-hua. *(Reuter, UPI)*

Soviets seen demanding 7m. tons more U.S. grain

...HINGTON (Reuter). — So-... negotiators are expected to ...in for another seven million ...of American grain this year ...ing the lifting of the U.S. ...go on grain sales to Mos-...y President Ford on Mon-...night.
White House announced that ...S. and the Soviet Union had ...l on a five-year grain deal that ...atees Soviet purchases of be-... six and eight million tons ...lly from next year.
...lso allowed President Ford to ... two-month temporary ban on ... to the Soviet Union, which ...y bought 9.1 million tons of ... and maize that sparked a ... of controversy over higher ... for American consumers and put pressure on the White House to negotiate a deal with the Russians.

Official estimates here suggest Russia is interested in buying an additional seven million tons of American grain this year to make up for its domestic shortages.

A study drawn up for the congressional joint economic committee before the agreement said actual and projected sales to the Soviet Union would significantly increase retail food prices and net farm incomes. The 10 million tons already sold to the Soviet Union would mean an increase of one cent per dollar in food prices.

As part of the deal, Moscow has agreed to sell the U.S. 200,000 barrels of oil a day if a price can be agreed.

'Disclosure of secrets can destroy CIA'

...YORK (UPI). — Central ...igence Agency director Wil-...Colby said Monday the U.S. ...e best intelligence organiza-...n the world, but it already ...been damaged and can be ...oyed by irresponsible disclo-... of secrets.
...ch exposures have concerned ...reign friends and caused some ...wish to help us to think that ...sk is too great," he told the ... York council of the Navy ...e of the U.S.
... CIA's "technical geniuses, its ...ted clandestine operators, its ...ive analysts have brought ... new dimensions in precision, ...ward projections to American ...gence."
...an example, he said, in years ...intelligence had to try to find ...here an enemy fleet was.
...day, we know not only where ... but what it can do. And we ... more — we know what kind ...t to expect in the future. We ...followed the progress of the new Russian carrier presently on sea trials since its keel was laid five years ago.

"But will we destroy this great intelligence capability," Colby asked. "Will we have an investigation in 1980 as to why in 1975 we deprived our nation of its technical and foreign sources that provide information about the threats we will face in the years ahead? Will we have publicity or protection? Will we have sensation or safety?"

Colby said the CIA does not oppose investigation. "We welcome it. But investigation must be responsible, as intelligence must be responsible."

"No one... thinks that there should be public revelation of war plans. The American people don't think so either. Neither do they think there should be a public revelation of the names of people who serve American intelligence in confidential, and often risky, dealings."

Another Soviet blast reported

...ALA, Sweden (UPI). — For ...econd time in three days, the ... Union yesterday carried out ...nderground nuclear explosion ... Arctic test centre on the is-...of Novaya Zemlya, the seismological institute said.

Prof. Markus Ba'ath, director of the institute, said yesterday's blast was set off at 1:04 p.m. (1204 GMT) and measured 6.2 on the Richter scale. He said this was considered of "moderate" intensity.

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UK will become 'world's nuclear dustbin'

LONDON (AP). — Controversy erupted yesterday over a plan to earn Britain £400m. over the next decade by importing 4,000 tons of nuclear waste from Japan for storage and treatment.

Critics said Britain would become "the nuclear rubbish bin of the world."

The government has not approved the British Nuclear Fuels Ltd. scheme, an Environment Department spokesman said. He added that the waste would be carefully stored and by reprocessing would provide much-needed plutonium for British reactors.

The radioactive waste would go to the Windscale atomic energy centre in Cumbria.

"There is bound to be a disaster with this," said Sir Kelvin Spencer, former chief scientist for the Department of Energy. "It may be insidious and happen over, say, the next 10 years by causing more and more types of cancer and a larger proportion of defective, deformed babies."

The Environment Department said although most dangerous substances in radioactive waste decay in 30 to 50 years, part could be lethal for as much as 50,000 years.

"The notion that mankind for the next tens of thousands of years will be able to look after these liquid dustbins in a very sophisticated way seems to be entirely unrealistic," said Sir Kelvin.

"To go ahead accepting all these dangers in the hope that scientific research will pull a rabbit out of the hat seems irresponsible," he added.

A spokesman for British Nuclear Fuels said the waste would be accepted only if it can be sent back to Japan after treatment and meanwhile it would add only about 10 per cent to Britain's existing waste stockpile, which now includes radioactive matter from several other countries.

Spanish envoy flies to Hassan as 20,000 Moroccans set off

KSAR ES SOUK, Morocco. — As thousands of Moroccans set off from here yesterday on a march to claim sovereignty over Spanish-ruled Western Sahara, a high-ranking Spanish envoy arrived unannounced to confer with King Hassan.

The Security Council came to no conclusion in Monday's debate on the Sahara crisis, setting no time to resume the discussion on the issue.

At the end of Monday's opening skirmish in the Council between Spain and Morocco, Costa Rica submitted a resolution urgently calling on the Moroccans to call off the march.

Mauritania entered the Council fray with a claim that the Sahara "is an integral part of Mauritanian soil." Algeria, accused by Moroccans of seeking, in conjunction with Spain, to rig a plebiscite designed to give self-determination to the area's 88,000 inhabitants, asked for a voice in the debate.

The arrival in Marrakesh of Jose Solis, secretary-general of the Spanish national movement, a Cabinet post, aroused speculation that Madrid is now anxious to negotiate over its phosphate-rich territory.

Solis conferred with King Hassan at midday and was due to fly back to Madrid later yesterday.

Reports from El Aaiun, the Sahara's capital, said Saharans are organizing a counter-march in an effort to stop Moroccan marchers from crossing the border.

Some groups reportedly asked the Spanish governor of the territory to provide them weapons. Governor Gomez de Salazar was said to have rejected the petition in an effort to prevent bloodshed.

Spain closed the border of its tiny North African enclave of Ceuta for 40 minutes on Monday after 400 young Moroccans demonstrating support for King Hassan's march tried to cross the frontier, the Spanish news agency Europa Press reported.

Prime Minister Ahmed Osman, brother-in-law of King Hassan II, presided at a ceremony in the desert outpost of Ksar Souk yesterday to mark the departure of the first volunteers for the proposed march. A huge convoy carrying 20,000 of the volunteers to the Spanish Sahara border at Tarfaya was due to start on its 800-km journey yesterday.

Among hundreds of messages of support sent to King Hassan by Moroccan groups was one from this Arab nation's Jewish community. "The Moroccans of Jewish faith, faithful and loyal subjects of his majesty the king and resident in this country for more than 2,000 years, are historic witnesses to the just Moroccan claim to the Sahara... and declare themselves mobilized... in defence of the territorial integrity of the kingdom of Morocco," the message declared. *(Reuter, AP, UPI)*

Turkey weighing Cyprus pullback

ANKARA (Reuter). — Turkey announced yesterday it would start negotiations with the U.S. on re-opening American bases next week and indicated readiness to discuss territorial concessions in Cyprus.

A statement by Foreign Minister Ihsan Sabri Caglayangil said the partial lifting of the U.S. arms embargo had made it possible for Turkey to negotiate a new defence agreement with the U.S. and allow the deadlocked Cyprus negotiations to proceed with wider scope.

Turkish officials said this meant Ankara was now prepared to discuss the idea of handing back some of the territory it won when it invaded the island in the summer of 1974. They did not elaborate.

'Unesco needs U.S. support'

UNITED NATIONS (Reuter). — Unesco will not be able to function much longer without American financial and intellectual support, its director-general, Ahmadou-Mahtar M'bow, of Senegal said yesterday.

The U.S. Congress voted to withhold the U.S. contribution to Unesco after Israel was excluded from a Unesco regional group and its funding was cut off. Later, several American intellectuals announced that they would no longer participate in Unesco's programmes.

"It is indispensable that the U.S. continue to take part fully in our deliberations," he told a press lunch.

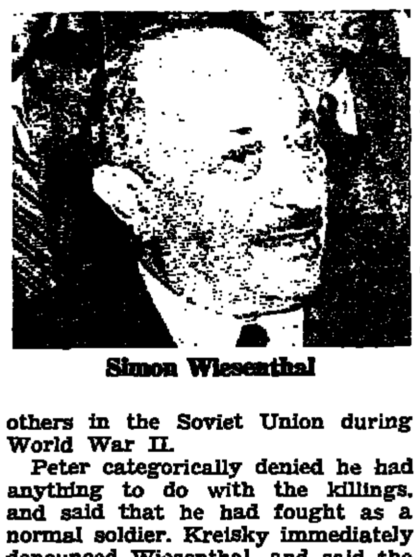
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Kreisky says Wiesenthal out to 'bring me down'



Simon Wiesenthal

VIENNA (AP). — Austrian Chancellor Bruno Kreisky accused Nazi-hunter Simon Wiesenthal yesterday of campaigning to topple him. He said that Wiesenthal had privately pledged "to bring me down," on the grounds that he had not fulfilled his task "in the service of Israel."

Kreisky, who is Jewish-born but is not a member of any religious community, told newsmen he hoped parliament would lift his parliamentary immunity so that he would be able to appear in court and answer charges in a libel suit Wiesenthal has filed against him.

Announcement of the suit against the Chancellor came after Kreisky had charged Wiesenthal, head of the Jewish Documentation Centre here, with resorting to "political Mafia" methods in exposing the wartime past of Friedrich Peter, chairman of the small Freedom Party, who was widely regarded as a potential coalition partner before the ruling Socialists regained an absolute majority in parliamentary elections on October 5.

Wiesenthal told a news conference four days after the elections that Peter had served in an SS unit which had killed Jews and others in the Soviet Union during World War II.

Peter categorically denied he had anything to do with the killings, and said that he had fought as a normal soldier. Kreisky immediately denounced Wiesenthal, and said the charge was without proof and was in fact directed against himself.

Meeting newsmen after a government session, yesterday, Kreisky angrily stated that "It is unheard of what this Mafia does." He said he would disclose at the appropriate time the names of a "small circle of people" to whom Wiesenthal had made a pledge to unseat him as chancellor.

BRIDGE

George Levinrew

Busy times ahead

THE ISRAEL Bridge Federation is planning an active programme of international play. The 10th Israel International Bridge Congress will take place at the Pal Hotel in Tel Aviv between November 2-12. The schedule includes an individual tournament on November 1, a two session mixed pair contest on November 2 and 3, a three session team of four tournament on November 4, 5 and 6, and a four session pairs event between November 8-11. Up to 400 hundred players from Israel and abroad are expected to participate.

An unusual simultaneous international pairs tournament will be held on December 14, with the same computerized deals played in nine countries at the same time. There will be two centres in Israel in Haifa and in Tel Aviv, and there will be centres in Austria, Belgium, Denmark, England, France, Holland, Sweden and Switzerland.

In May 1976 our Israel Championship Team, Frydrich-Shaufel, Lev-Romik, Hochzeit-Levit, will compete in Monte Carlo for the World Championship against the reigning world champions, the famous Italian team, and against four other teams representing North America, South America, the South Pacific and the Far East. Israel won the right to compete in this tournament through its phenomenal victory last July, being second only to Italy, at the European Bridge Championship. Israel will also send a team to the World Bridge Olympiad to take place immediately following the World Bridge Championship. Up to 40 countries are expected to be represented.

Also in 1976, the European Junior Team Championship will take place in Sweden and our Junior Team will be selected and trained for this event. The 1976 European Bridge Championship will take place in Morocco.

There will be a new feature at the 10th Maccabia in 1977. The Israel Bridge Federation will be host to a team of four bridge tournament.

Coming Events

November 2-12, Tenth Israel International Bridge Congress at the Pal Hotel in Tel Aviv.

November 1-2, Fourth Session of the 1975 Philip Morris European Bridge Cup, in The Hague, the Netherlands.

More from the Ombudsman

A family's troubles getting a flat

By AARON SITTNER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

BACK IN FEBRUARY 1973 the Housing Ministry's location service ruled that a particular six-member family should receive a three-room rental apartment from Prazot, the joint Government-Jerusalem Municipality corporation charged with relocating families living in buildings which are to be torn down for urban improvement.

The flat recommended by Prazot was in the Manahat section, under a bridge, and had total floor space of 68 square metres. It was in very bad condition, and the family refused to accept it.

Two months later a different flat was offered to the family. This one had 75 square metres of floor space and was located in the Romema neighbourhood. The family agreed to accept it.

A few days before moving in, they were asked by Prazot officials to yield the flat to another family which, the company said, needed this particular flat for special reasons. Promised that another flat would be provided in a few months if this one was yielded, the six-member family agreed, and gave up the Romema unit. No other flat was forthcoming, however, so the head of the family complained to the Ombudsman.

Approached by the Ombudsman for an explanation, the Prazot Corporation replied that new criteria adopted *after the promise had been given to the family* did not require the company to provide an alternative flat for the family. Instead, the family was re-offered the original flat — in Manahat — after it had been decorated, but the family refused to accept this flat, and in the meantime it was taken by another family.

The Ombudsman sided with the complainant, saying Prazot was obligated to give the family a different flat, since it had yielded the Romema flat upon request of the company, and the new criteria were not yet in effect when the promise of a replacement flat was made.

Finally, Prazot notified the Ombudsman it would comply — and in the end it did.

A POST OFFICE is not a public warehouse, so when you get a notice there's a package waiting for you — rush over and pick it up.

The complainant — a company manufacturing electronic equipment — received a notice that a parcel had arrived from abroad, and should be claimed at the post office. The complainant waited a while, only to discover that according to Israel's postal regulations a package from abroad not picked up within 10 days of mailing of the notice was subject to a storage charge of 70 agorot per day.

The company came to the Ombudsman and complained that: (a) as a member of the Universal Postal Union, Israel had no right to charge a storage fee; and (b) ten days are not enough time to pick up a package. At least 13 days are needed, said the complainant.

Reviewing international postal agreements, the Ombudsman rejected the first complaint, and said the Ministry of Communications certainly had the authority to impose the charge. As for the second complaint, there was something to it, thought the Ombudsman. As a result, effective last February, Israelis have up to 15 days in which to pick up a package from abroad which awaits them at the post office.

Passing the buck is a favourite sport — not only among people, but among official bodies as well.

Five years ago, a resident of Afula had a walkway leading from the roadway to his home. One day the Housing Ministry decided to build a house near his home, and it wasn't long afterward that the walkway disappeared from the face of the earth.

Since then, persons living in the complainant's house have to make their way through an unpaved round-about path, and in winter this means manoeuvring through puddles of water and mud.

Through the years the resident has repeatedly appealed to both the Housing Ministry and the Municipality of Afula — but to no avail. Investigation by the Ombudsman's Office revealed there had indeed been a paved walkway to the complainant's house before the Ministry had erected the new building.

In reply to an official notice from the Ombudsman, the Ministry disclaimed all responsibility for destroying the walkway. The Municipality also disclaimed responsibility, blaming the Housing Ministry instead. For its part, the Housing Ministry insisted it was the Municipality and Amidar — the Government Housing Corporation — who destroyed the path in the course of a street development project in the area.

The Ombudsman called a meeting of all three organizations, and the road was finally fixed up — by the Municipality.

Police are rebuked

By ABRAHAM RABINOVICH
Jerusalem Post Reporter

In their midnight booking of a 14-year-old boy as a suspected purse snatcher, the police were sharply rebuked by the Ombudsman. The boy, riding home on his bicycle, was stopped by a girl soldier who said that the night before her purse was snatched by someone similar to him riding on the same bicycle. The boy said he had lent his bicycle to a friend the night before. The girl soldier went with him to the friend's house but the second boy was not home. She then took the boy down to the local police station. Although it was 11.30 p.m., he was booked. It was not until 3 a.m. that a policeman went to the boy's home to inform his family of the arrest.

The Ombudsman noted that it is against police regulations to jail a minor without an arrest order unless he was caught in the act of committing a crime or if his release would endanger the investigation. A minor is also not to be arrested at night and is to be questioned not by a regular policeman but by special investigators dealing with juveniles. The Ombudsman rejected the police contention that the boy did not have any identification papers and that he looked more than 16.

In another case, a woman in her last month of pregnancy was stopped by a policeman on the outskirts of Ashkelon for a traffic offence. While conceding the offence, the woman complained that the policeman was insulting, loud and kept her waiting 50 minutes while he prepared her traffic ticket. After being queried by the Ombudsman, the police announced that disciplinary steps had been taken against the policeman concerned.

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The next nightmare

Ephraim Kishon



THE SECRETARY of State lay tossing on his bed that night. He'd just been told that the Liberian freighter, *Israel Ahoy*, had entered the Suez Canal with a cargo of Jaffa oranges aboard. In keeping with the secret clause in the Interim Accord, her 24 Israeli sailors made up less than half the crew of 49, not counting the Norwegian captain, Olaf Goldstein. Dr. Kissinger had given Sadat a ring just in case, but the Egyptian President had been busy writing a speech to commemorate the third anniversary of his last speech three weeks ago.

"Madmen," grumbled Kissinger, and swallowed a couple of sleeping pills, "I *told* them not to send their test-ship without clearing it with the Syrians first. What alternative do they have?"

AT MIDNIGHT Under-Secretary Joseph Sisco shook him awake.

"The Canal Authorities have stopped the ship."

Sisco had already been on the phone to Fahmi.

"You kidding?" the Egyptian Foreign Minister had said. "Oranges are perfectly strategic edibles. Their soldiers eat them, *no?*"

Sisco had warned him that Rabin might topple if he didn't let the ship through, and Fahmi had muttered back something in colloquial Arabic. Now Dr. Kissinger was asking him to fetch the five volumes of Secret Codicils to the Interim Accord, and sure enough, in a dark envelope entitled "*Chairman's Intimate Intentions*," they found the clause in question: "The U.S. Government promises to take firm and meaningful steps against Egypt in case of *navigational obstructionism*."

The bit about "firm and meaningful" seemed somewhat vague. The Israelis interpreted it as a bombing raid on Cairo by B-52s, whereas the State Department seemed rather to have in mind something like steps by Chase Manhattan. Be that as it may, there was a clarifying subclause in the secret accord with Cairo, called "Further Implications and Afterthoughts," which dealt with the same point, as follows:

"The U.S. Government promises not to take any steps whatever against Egypt if and when Israeli ships are held up in the Canal."

"H'm, yes, that was a compromise," Kissinger recalled. "Very well, Joe, please act in accordance with both."

Dr. K. was about to climb back into bed when Sisco discovered a scrap of paper clipped to the folder of "General Instructions for Washington Post Publication," reading:

"It is agreed between the parties that if and when the U.S. Government should delay the taking of firm and meaningful steps against Cairo with regard to ships, the Israel Government will be free to complain to Congress unhampered."

"Tel Aviv's already fired off several cables," Sisco observed, "I'm awaiting your instructions, Mr. Secretary."

"Go," K. instructed him, "and cope."

IT LOOKED as if only Para 607 of his confidential exchanges with Fahmi might still get in the way of that:

"The U.S. Government promises to take firm and meaningful steps against Israel if and when she should apply to Congress with regard to ships," Sisco slowly deciphered the coded text. "Failing which, Egypt will be free to remove all American equipment from its surveillance stations."

"That's the alternative then," mumbled Dr. K., "anything else?"

Yes. It turned up on a piece of bubble-gum wrapper stuck in a fold of the Most Secret file:

"The U.S. Government promises not to remove any equipment from Egyptian surveillance stations... if and when Cairo should demand... if Congress... with regard to ships."

The hot line sprang into life. Mr. Ford:

"What now, Henry?"

"I feel, Mr. President, that perhaps you should handle this matter personally, like in Salzburg..."

"Sorry, I'm going on leave."

"Now? At 3 a.m.?"

"Yes. See you."

Intelligence briefing: The s.s. Israel Ahoy has been towed ashore, Olaf Goldstein taken into custody. Next the chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee comes on the line: he urgently wants to see all the secret clauses not yet leaked to the Press by whatever oversight. A cable from Jerusalem: The Israeli Government has chartered a plane and is on its way to New York. A congratulatory cable from Gromyko: "Shuttles? Shuttlecock!" The radar screen which keeps a 24-hour watch on Israeli Ambassador Simcha Dinitz starts to blink: the Ambassador is up and off. A state of alert is declared. Message from Cairo: The Canal health authorities have discovered that some of Israel Ahoy's crew, 24 in number, aren't inoculated against foot-and-mouth disease, and have put them in quarantine.

"EXCUSE ME," says Sisco, "I've got to go out a minute..."

"You stay right here, Joseph!"

Dr. K. scrambles into his trousers and finds a green note in his back-pocket: "It is agreed between the parties that if and when the Canal Authorities should demand food-and-mouth inoculation, the U.S. Government promises to supply longer-range loans and missiles..."

"Gee, I nearly forgot," says K. zipping up his trousers, "I told *Mao I'd drop in on him.*"

"And me?" Sisco yells after him, "What'll I do?"

"Ask Dr. Waldheim..."

The Secretary grabs his suitcase and sprints downstairs. To hell with all interim accords. What alternative do they have? A handful of Jews driving the whole world nuts. There's more workers at the oil companies. K. leaps into his car and snaps at the chauffeur: "To Peking!"

A familiar voice pipes up from the back seat:

"Hi, Dr. Kissinger!"

Simcha.

Dr. K. skips out of his side of the car, Dinitz on his tail.

"You'll get another ship!" shouts K., running, "Give the Kinneret to the Syrians and you'll get the water too."

"You promised us free passage!"

"Sadat may topple."

The Ambassador mutters something in colloquial Hebrew. Dr. K. is racing, racing.

"You'll get the F-15... F-16... F-17..."

Familiar figures pop up on the horizon — Rabin, Peres, Allon... across the way Mike Mansfield is seen hurrying along, Javits and Ribicoff panting behind... three Arabs with machine guns appear from the left... King Khalid from the right... Bella Abzug... Scoop Jackson... Golda...

"DR. KISSINGER! Dr. Kissinger, what are you shouting for?"

Joseph Sisco stands by the bed shaking him. The Secretary wakes up in a sweat.

"The ship?"

"Got through without a hitch."

Dr. K. adjusts his spectacles.

"I'm not at all surprised, Joe. A solid agreement phrased in sound, logical terms simply *has* to work. It has no alternative."

Translated by Miriam Arad
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GREETINGS ON THE OPENING OF NOF HOTEL ON MT. CARMEL—TODAY

The Nof Hotel — A new Jewel in the crown of Mount Carmel

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

THE OPENING of a new hotel is always an event in tourism-conscious Israel. In Haifa, the first new hotel in a dozen years, becomes a very important event indeed.

Thus, today's official opening of the Nof Hotel on Mt. Carmel, marks a new date in the annals of Israeli tourism. The 100-room, eight storey hostelry, designed by architects S. and A. Rosoff, is in the four star class, like its elder sister, the Shulamit, General Manager Itzhak Bloch, who runs both, told *The Post*. Four star rank, marks first-class but not luxury hotels. Mr. Bloch notes that the location of the *Nof is the new hotel's biggest asset*. The magnificent view will get the establishment off to a good start, before the 75 man staff, nearly all young and recent graduates of hotel schools, set a reputation for eager young service too. The hotel is situated a minute's walk from the bigger, five-star Dan Carmel Hotel. Between the two, visitors will find the Goldmann Gallery, Haifa's leading art gallery and the Japanese Art Museum, with the Nahmani Art Gallery just across the road.

THE NOF is a "one sided" hotel. Owing to the shape of the plot on which it was built, all rooms face the sea, with the corridors on the inside, and the design drove up the building costs. In general, construction cost more than had at first been estimated — IL8m., when building first started four years ago. But inflation has hiked the price to IL16m. "That's IL160,000 per room, which will make it very hard indeed to get a good return on the investment."

For an Israeli it is a matter of some pride to discover that 30 per cent of the elegant appointments were made in Israel.

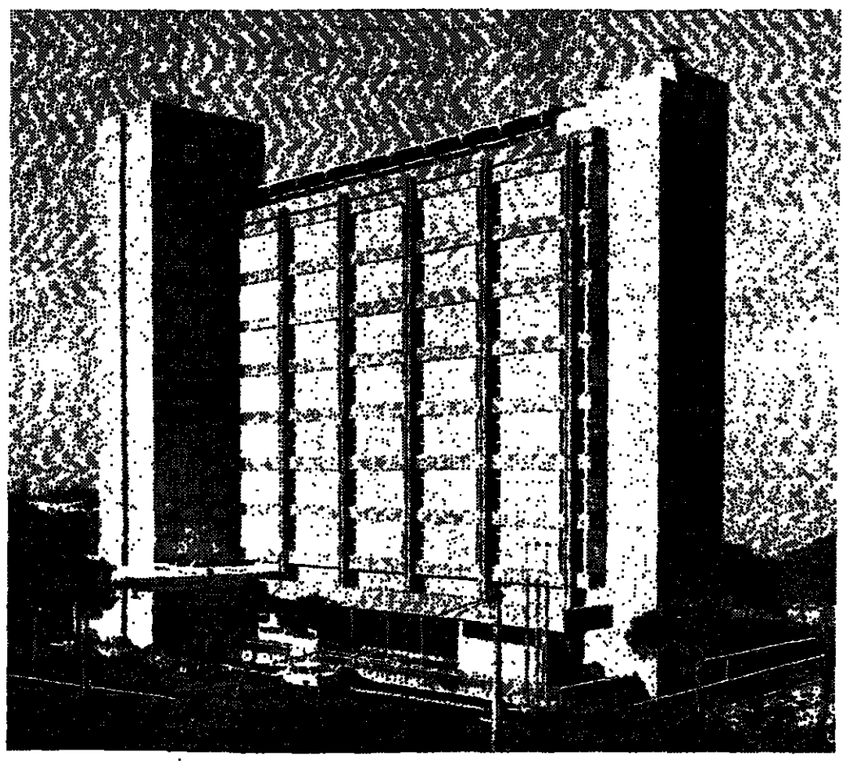
The hotel is a model of optimal exploitation of limited space. The roof has been turned into a coffee-shop restaurant, with a veranda facing the sea running along its whole length, affording an unparallelled view. The air-raid shelter doubles as a bar and meeting hall, fully airconditioned, lacking only natural daylight. The 100 double rooms, which include a "junior suite" on each floor, all have baths, phones, radio, TV on request and individually controlled airconditioning. Rates range from $13 to $23.50 for bed and breakfast during the summer season and from $11.70 to $20 during the winter off-season, for tourists, who are tax exempt.

MR. BLOCH has been in the hotel trade for the past 30 years, and is best known for his management of the Mt. Carmel Shulamit Hotel, which has gained an international reputation for service. He managed the Sharon Hotel for a year and served as consultant for the Mishkonot Sha'ananim scheme in Jerusalem. At 62, after four years of seeing the Nof Hotel construction through a period of inflation and war, he now hopes to relax and see the new hotel succeed.



ITZHAK BLOCH
General Manager
NOF HOTEL

He has shelved plans for another Mt. Carmel hotel, and is looking for a younger man to put through his plan to expand and improve the Shulamit. He doubts that new hotels will be built during the near future, due to the run-away inflation, which has driven construction costs beyond all reasonable limits.



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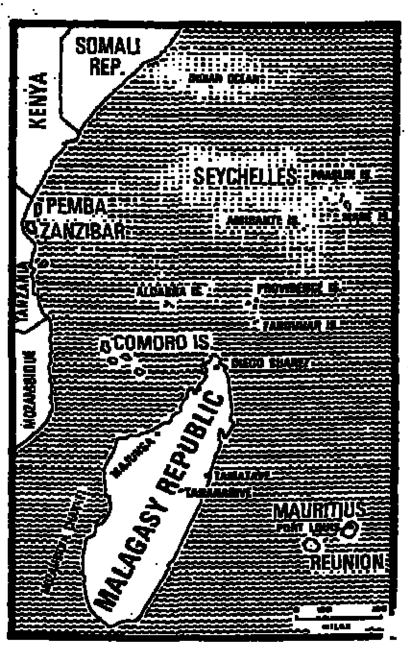
By GWYNNE DYER
LONDON.—

r SINCE NAPOLEON shut n the 300-odd duchies and cipalities of the Holy Roman pire a century and a half ago e there been so many mini-es in the world. And almost ry month there are more.

Among those receiving in-endence this autumn, or ently seizing it, or hopefully claiming it, or poised to ze a run for it if necessary, Surinam (from the herlands), Cabinda (from ola), Bougainville (from ua — New Guinea), Spanish ara (from Spain, of course), Comoro Islands (from nce), East Timor (from Por-l), and perhaps the Azores ewise). For added spice, the istian island of Mayotte claimed its separation from Moslem Comoros, and then er a French-backed coup in Comoros' capital, Moroni) visionally suspended its deci-l.

he decolonization process is scraping the bottom of the rel — all seven of these ential countries together e scarcely a million people. there are still a few dozen to ne: Djibouti and the chelles, French Guiana and ish Honduras, and other s and ends of Empire, most hem small islands.

he 50 smallest countries in UN have a total population ut equal to that of Britain or ico. They must, however,



support 50 different governments, 50 armed forces, and not very far short of 50 national airlines (which is one reason why they will mostly stay poor). The five largest of the UN's 140 members, by contrast, contain about half of the world's population.

THIS EPIDEMIC of statelets is founded on the principle of national self-determination, invented for the use of much larger states in Europe. Some of the "nationalities" now emerging, on the other hand, would have difficulty in qualifying for municipal self-government in the older nations. They are now piling up waist-deep on the floor of the UN General Assembly for two main reasons.

The seaborne European empires of the last few centuries left behind them an extraordinary jigsaw of island possessions and coastal enclaves, which no one can now think of anything else to do with except to grant them independence. Some, like the Seychelles and the Dutch Antilles, were not so enthusiastic about independence in an unfriendly world, but have been forced towards it by the reflex anti-colonialism of the Third World and the reluctance of the colonial power to stay. A very few, like Gibraltar and the Falkland Islands, have so far successfully resisted being shoved out of the nest.

The second major source of mini-states, though less prolific, is perhaps more important: the attempt by a mineral-rich area of a newly-independent and fragile state to break away and keep the wealth for itself. Two major attempts of this sort underway at the moment are in copper-rich Bougainville island (with no foreign assistance), and in oil-soaked Cabinda (where just about everyone has a finger in the pie).

THE EXISTENCE of many tiny states is now most strongly felt at the UN, where their presence gives the Afro-Asian bloc an absolute majority of General Assembly votes. But General Assembly votes are about as significant as New Year's resolutions.

In the Security Council, where such UN power as there is resides, the five permanent members, who have veto rights, are the five full nuclear powers. The Security Council membership as a whole always includes representatives of the governments of at least a third of mankind, and more usually close to half. Where real power exists, real facts about power are recognized.

In the world at large, most mini-states will glide or stagger through their parochial histories as their luck dictates. Their number will tend slowly to reduce with time, as they combine together or are gobbled up by larger states. (Indonesia has just invaded East Timor, an independent Cabinda could have at most a limited lifespan before vanishing into Zaire, and Moroccans are now marching into the Spanish Sahara.) A few tiny states will become the focal points for external crises, because of their strategic position or mineral resources, but most will live in decent obscurity.

The great majority of mini-states are doing no harm to anyone. Their sovereignty is restricted by a harsh economic reality which permits them little more than a two-platoon army, and a dozen place settings for state dinners. Besides, think what a boon they are to stamp collectors.



Two easy tubed looks in cotton boucle knit for summer. Left: dropped shoulder. Right: lacy see-through stripes. By Dorina.



Paisley-inspired printing on a cotton terry robe with mandarin collar, kimbo sleeves. By Israel Rosen.



Rikma's pinafore tunic with matching trousers. Right: gauzy Kafiya blouse, day length wrapskirt. By Roji Ben Joseph.

Israel fashion week in N.Y.

By MARJA WOLSKA

ALTHOUGH THE AMERICANS may not know it, a positive and optimistic atmosphere now exists in retail fashion circles in the U.S. This, at least, is the overwhelming reaction brought back by 43 Israeli fashion firms which participated in a kind of "On-the-spot Israel Fashion Week" in New York last month. Organized by the Israel Company for Fairs and Exhibitions, the ten-day event took place at the New York Hilton and attracted 1,800 buyers from America and Canada, including many from the top stores.

At a similar event last year, results were gloomy and the useful cliche "very successful" was not applied by the Israeli organizers. At that time, the U.S. share constituted no more than a third of our fashion exports down from over half in 1972.

Now, however — strange as it may sound — the situation seems to be returning to the heady days of five years ago; and as it was put to *The Jerusalem Post* by Hana Shavit, Director of Ready-to-Wear and Knitwear for the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, "our problem isn't to get orders, but to fill them."

Reasons for the upswing, according to Ministry sources, include the fact that American buyers had been placing orders very cautiously in the last year or so. Now, however as retail sales have picked up and inventories been reduced, buyers are accepting Israeli offerings with new enthusiasm. Categories shown in New York included womens' sportswear, knitwear, leather fashions, men's and children's wear, and, of all things, Isreli undergarments. Even the long slumping panty-hose situation is, according to Hana Shavit, picking up. The explanation here is based on the misfortunes of others: "Many panty-hose firms, both in America and Europe, have closed down recently."

Nor is it smooth sailing here for everyone. Two Israeli knitwear firms closed down here, as well, in the past few months (Jercoli and Meza). Explanations include, among other reasons, problems of internal management. Bashan, too, is in the process of re-organizing its structure.

But for every firm in trouble, more than a handful of new ones have sprouted up, and of the 43 exporters who did well in America, over a quarter were relative newcomers.



s of Avdat's Nabatean cemetery.

Nabatean graves found in Avdat

Special to Jerusalem Post

DAT'S NABATEAN cemetery s found by archaeologists who ently concluded a season of excavations there. They also unearth-the large military camp in the thern sector of the Avdat Moun-range, and ascertained its date. onducted by the Hebrew Univer-Institute of Archaeology and the ernment Department of An-ities, the dig was led by Prof. aham Negev of the University Dr. Rudolf Cohen, regional haeologist. The goals of this ex-ation were to complete and check ious details of the history of batean Avdat, answering estions left open after ex-ations there in 1958-61 by Prof. gev and the late Prof. Michael -Yonah. This year's team sought letermine the plan and date of the itary camp, 100 x 100 metres in , known already to researchers o visited Avdat at the start of this tury. By the appearance of rem-its visible on the surface, the np was described as a structure losed by a wall with circular rets. It has two gates, one to the th, where the remains of the Nab-n city are located, and the second, in gate, to the East, facing the d from Petra.

aside the camp, the first sur-ors found a network of streets and eight barracks buildings, each having ten rooms — about 100 soldiers (a centurion) in each barrack. There were dwelling and storage rooms all along the outer wall. This camp could house a military force 1000-1500 soldiers strong, even more if they slept in shifts (the "warm bed" system).

Basing their estimates on the apparently late design of the camp (because of the round turrets), various researchers ascribed it to the late Roman period and said this camp was a key point in the border defense system of Palestine in the late Roman era. It also seems the camp was destroyed in an attack by Arab tribes after the middle of the first century C.E., when the magnificent Nabatean temple in the acropolis was destroyed and the city abandoned for tens of years.

To their surprise, the archaeologists found that the walls enclosing the camp had been dismantled almost to their foundations. What remains today — and what the researchers around 1900 saw — is nothing but piles of rubbish that accumulated during the dismantling of the walls. Coins found on this mound show that the walls were stolen in the days of Constantine the Great, in the early 4th Century C.E. With these stones the rulers built the smaller fort in the acropolis of Avdat. The outer face of this fort is made of stones stolen from the houses in the Nabatean city, all small and nicely hewn, while the interior is built of large, crudely chiseled stones — those taken from the Nabatean army camp.

The second purpose of this dig was to find the Nabatean cemetery, a goal in which the 1958-61 Avdat expedition was not successful. The cemetery was found this summer in the region northeast of the army camp. Four graves have been dug up thus far. Coins and pottery found in them indicate that one grave is from the first half of the first century C.E. In another, that of a woman, there was found a necklace made of 22 precious stones, some of them brought from India. Among them are agate, quartz, and turquoise. The necklace has gold leaf and golden ornamentation in the form of tiny roses, as well as an object shaped like an Egyptian scarab marked with what resembles hieroglyphics. These have not been deciphered as yet.

Hundreds of coins and enormous quantities of pottery from the 4th Century C.E. were found in other sites of the dig. Some of these sites are apparently the foundations of the huts where the workers who dismantled the Nabatean army camp lived. A small temple is nearby.

'op trio's road to success is frustrating

By LEA LEVAVI
Jerusalem Post Reporter

SCENIC DESIGNER from gland and two sabras of Yemenite gin comprise the The Black Dia-nd, a "pop" trio, which recently it its first record to local radio tions.

"The name is the nickname of the itual friend who introduced us, chard Peritz, a set designer with aeli Instructional Television ex-ained when we met recently. chard, 28, has been a volunteer tertainer for the army for the past ht years, preparing sets for army tertainment groups and appearing himself as a solo singer. About a year ago he met Zadok, 27, an engineer for the Ministry of Communications who has a background in cantorial music and has won several prizes at Israeli music festivals. Avner in turn introduced him to Miri Mor, 21, (also with the Communication Ministry) whose musical background includes service in one of the army entertainment groups.

"For the past year, we've been appearing before soldiers from the Golan to Sinai. Each performance runs around two hours, with jokes, songs and spontaneous fun. For instance, in one recent show Miri suddenly brought a soldier from the audience onto the stage and started dancing with him. A lot of artists who appear as part of their reserve duty try to do the minimum, three or four songs and they're finished. We give as many numbers as possible, until the strings of our guitars make our fingers ache."

The recent record they cut ran almost IL8,000, including studio costs, musicians and so forth. "I make a nice salary and so do my colleagues" Richard remarked, "but we don't have that kind of money to throw away. The hope is that we will attract the interest of a record company.

So far, however, the road has been frustrating. One of the recorded songs, "Lel Yeshimon" (A night in the Wilderness) was introduced on both radio stations but did not make the hit parade. "We don't know the ropes — we didn't look for personal contacts," explained Richard. "When we try to get a little publicity, we are told: 'come back when you have a hit song on the radio.' But if the audience which sends postcards to the hit parade has never heard of us, except for the couple of times they heard our song on the radio, our chances of having a hit are not very good, it seems.

"Lel Yeshimon," written by Avner, has a pronouncedly Yemenite and Eastern flavour. Richard also writes songs, in both Hebrew and English.

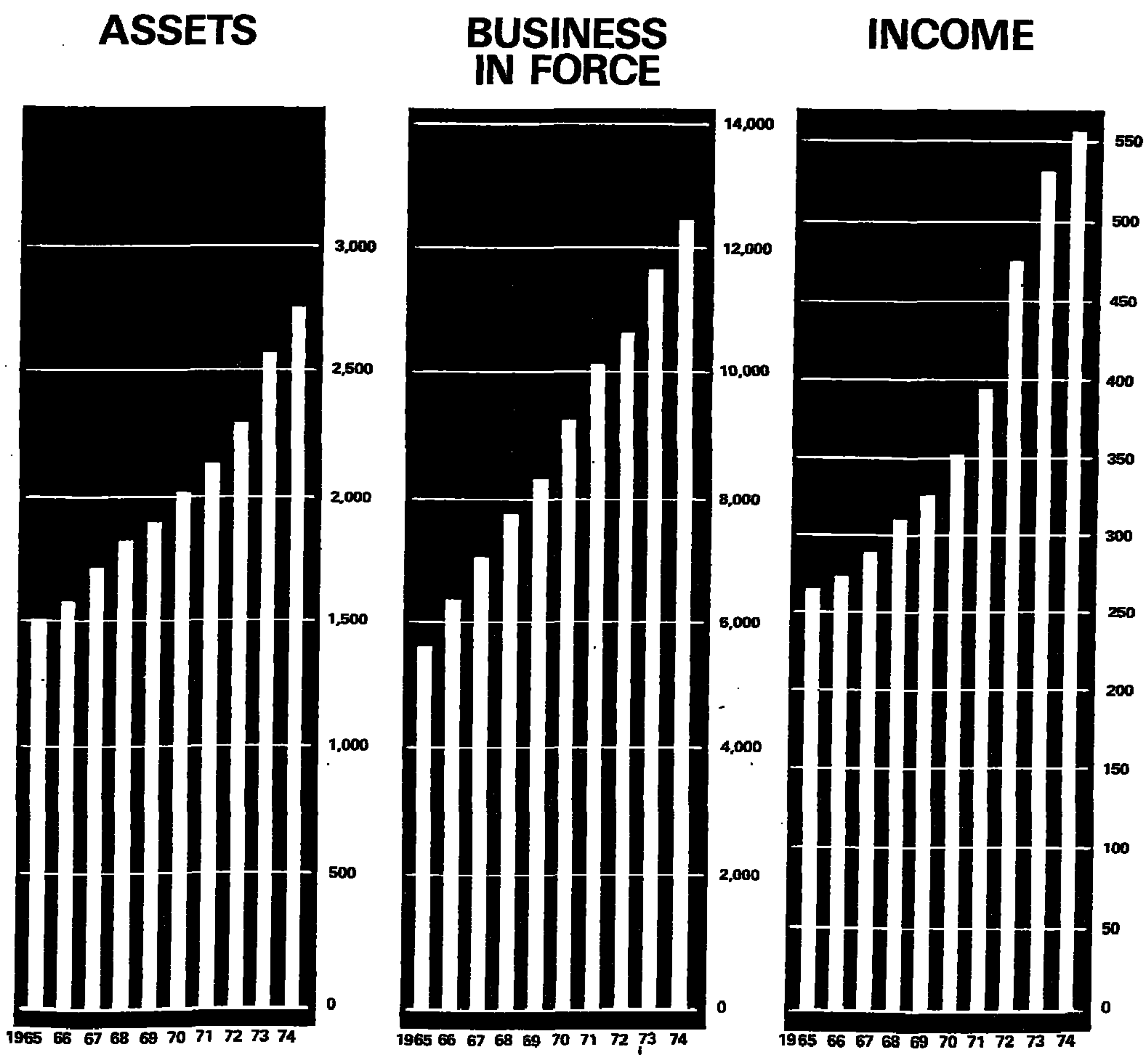
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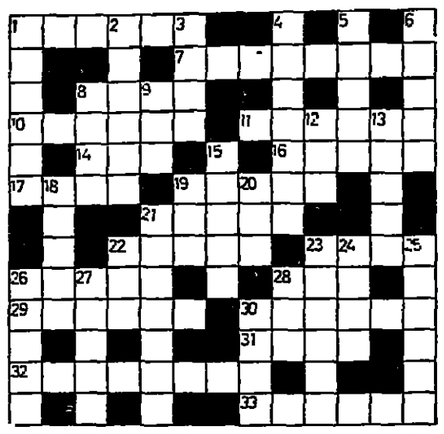
EASY PUZZLE

ACROSS

1 Destructive lout (6)
7 Story (8)
8 Hairless (4)
10 Digging tools (6)
11 Meal (6)
14 Small barrel (3)
16 Slippers (5)
17 Observed (4)
19 Voucher (5)
21 Moist (5)
22 Heathen (5)
23 Prosecuted (4)
26 Drying-cloth (5)
28 Fruit (3)
29 Source (6)
30 Song (6)
31 Jealousy (4)
32 Refined (8)
33 Handwriting (6)

DOWN

1 Against (5)
2 Make numb (6)
3 Boys (4)
4 Plotted (7)
5 Sum (5)
6 Samples (5)
8 *Cook* (4)
9 Limb (3)
12 Play on words (3)
13 Grasp (5)
15 Female (5)
18 Slip (5)
19 Pull (3)
20 Relatives (3)
21 Fish (7)
22 Tee (3)
23 Precious metal (6)
24 Unsightly (4)
25 Subtract (6)
26 Flashlight (5)
27 Testaments (5)
28 Enthusiast (3)
30 Garden plots (4)



Monday's Easy Solution

ACROSS.—1, Trys-. 6, Alert. 9, Purpose. 10, Plain. 11, Halve. 12, Begum. 13, Strayed. 15, Ant. 17, Heel. 18, Gender. 19, Acrid. 20, Hadish. 22, Span. 24, Tee. 25, Knotted. 26, Depot. 27, Paper. 28, Rigid. 29, Skilled. 30 Jacks. 31, Fee's.

DOWN.—2, Relate. 3, Spiral. 4, Tun. 5, Speed. 6, Ashamed. 7, Lean. 8, Ravine. 12, Bench. 13, Shirt. 14, Ready. 15, Adept. 16, Trend. 18, Giant. 19, Assets. 21, Armada. 22, Strike. 23, Aerial. 25, Koala. 26, Desk. 28 Ref.

Monday's Cryptic Solution

ACROSS.—1, Match. 6, Lia-MA. 9, Ho-ratio. 10, Scrap. 11, Of-fag. 12, Slant. 13, Detente. 15, Ted. 17, Arid. 18, A-spire. 19, Aries. 20, Claims. 22, Do.-SS. 24, Een. 25, Divorce. 26, Store. 27, Radio. 28, J-an-et. 29, Trumpet. 30, Messy. 31, Terms.

DOWN.—2, Arch-er. 3, Chased. 4, Hen. 5, Fab-le. 6, Lioness. 7, Loft. 8, Mean-ER. 12, Stars. 13, Dance. 14, Tit-a-N. 15, Ti-M-or. 16, Dense. 18, A-Erie. 19, Am-a-Tory. 21, Locate. 22, Donate. 23, Scream. 25, Dram-a. 26, Sits. 28, Jet.

CRYPTIC PUZZLE

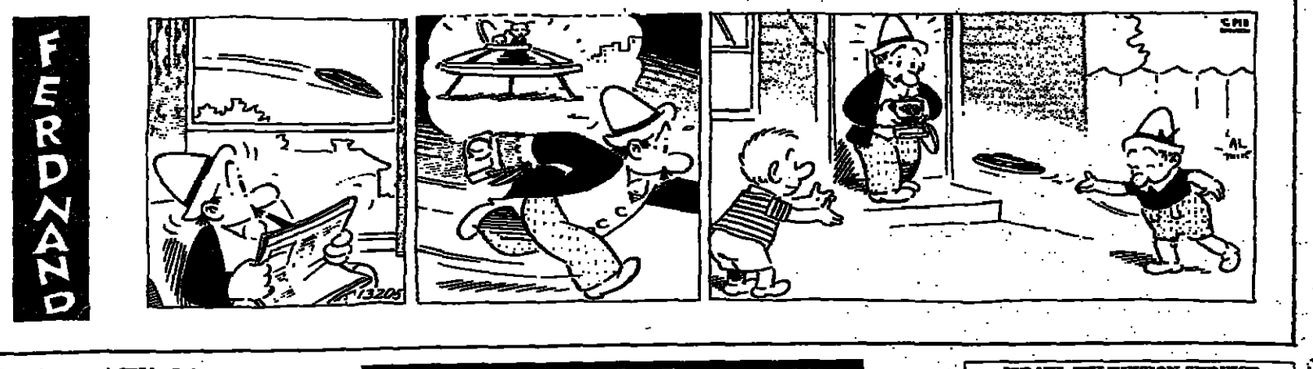
ACROSS

1 Where, in Portugal, sterling is good (6)
7 It may tell you when breakfast is ready (3-5)
8 Story of mortal enmity (4)
10 Kicked a fellow with a cry of disgust (6)
11 Bent over the doorway? (6)
14 Officer's data? (3)
16 May be rated as business (5)
17 Crowd noise at the Den? (4)
19 Officers' pay (5)
21 *One packing up fighting?* (5)
22 Escape with an injured foot? (3, 2)
23 Restrain a big-headed dog! (4)
26 A sunny word (5)
28 She uses tact getting in touch (3)
29 Colourful couple (6)
30 Something to wear or to bear, possibly (6)
31 *Final approval to voice* (4)
32 Pay surplus to stop (4, 4)
33 Nature food (6)

DOWN

1 Move slowly in the wood (6)
2 Does he bear out some testimony concerning the shooting? (6)
3 An essential of fine education (4)
4 He gets them "off" (7)
5 Order a portion of ham in the city (5)
6 The loftiness of Leo's lot (5)
8 *Dress one in an ancient garment* (4)
9 Half length name (3)
12 Shout or weep (3)
13 Uninterrupted gardening is too much for him (5)
15 Tinned beef, it seems, is poison! (5)
18 It grows on a tiny particle! (5)
19 A shock for the cleaner (3)
20 *It's full of holes* (3)
21 Ennui changes in the bedroom (7)
22 One in a role in a roll? (3)
23 What your tongue may be if you misguidedly eat cod? (6).
24 *It's common to Taunton and Mount Olympus* (4)
25 Not fully ground barley (6)
26 A Russian name for cloth (5)
27 Grub right in the middle of something hot (5)
28 *Officer who lies with dogs* (3)
30 Cry when outside the wood? (4)

SOLUTIONS TO TODAY'S PUZZLES ON FRIDAY



B-G Airport Flights

Owing to the El Al strike, intending passengers are requested to contact El Al offices for flight arrangements.
For general information about changes in times of arrivals and departures, please call Ben-Gurion Airport Flight Information (03-971461/2/3).

WEDNESDAY

ARRIVALS: El Al 002 from N.Y. 0920; TWA 880 from N.Y. and Athens, 1320; Olympic 301 from Athens, 1335; El Al 564 from Teheran, 1345; TWA 810 from Boston, Paris and Rome, 1505; Lufthansa 632 from Frankfurt and Munich, 1530; El Al 348 from Zurich, 1620; KLM 525 from Amsterdam, 1650; El Al 848 from London, Amsterdam and Frankfurt, 1735; Sabena 201 from Brussels, 1745; Swissair 330 from Zurich, 1805; El Al 574 from Bucharest and Istanbul, 1820; El Al 382 from Vienna and Munich, 1825; B.A. 484 from London, 1840; El Al 446 from London, 2110; El Al 334 from Brussels and Rome, 2140; Air France 130 from Paris and Nice, 2150; El Al 448 from Paris and Marseille, 2155.
DEPARTURES: El Al 845 to London, 0230; El Al 563 to Teheran, 0600; TWA 811 to Rome, Paris and Boston, 0515; El Al 241 to Paris and Montreal, 0630; Swissair 331 to Zurich, 0700; El Al 347 to Zurich, 0710; TWA 881 to Athens and N.Y. 0750; El Al 001 to N.Y., 0800; KLM 526 to Amsterdam, 0810; El Al 361 to Vienna and Munich, 0830; El Al 333 to Marseille and Brussels, 0840; El Al 447 to Rome and Paris, 0900; B.A. 485 to London, 0930; El Al 573 to Istanbul and Bucharest, 1000; El Al 445 to London, 1020; Olympic 302 to Athens, 1430; Lufthansa 637 to Frankfurt, 1630.

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Newsreels: 7.05 p.m.
2nd Programme: 6.05 a.m., 7.00, 8.00, 9.00, 10.00, 11.00, 12.00, 1.00 p.m., 2.00, 3.00, 4.00, 5.00, 6.00, 7.00, 8.00, 9.00, 10.00, 11.00, midnight and 1.00 a.m.
Newsreels: 7.05 a.m., 1.05 p.m.
Galei Zahal: News: 5.00 a.m., 6.00, 7.00, 8.00, 9.00, 10.00, 11.00, 12.00, 1.00 p.m., 2.00, 3.00, 4.00, 5.00, 6.00, 7.00, 8.00, 9.00, 10.00, 11.00, midnight and 1.00 a.m., 2.00, 3.00, 4.00 a.m.
Newsreels: 8.05 a.m., 5.05 and 11.35 p.m.

FIRST PROGRAMME
256, 522 and 221 M.
7.58 a.m. Opening. 8.10 "Morning Concert" — Mozart: Horn Concerto No. 2 (Del Vescovo); Beethoven: Symphony No. 2 (Ansermet). 9.05 Suk: Festive March; Albeniz: Piano Concerto No. 1 (Blumenthal); Prokofiev: "Lieutenant Kije" (Sargent). 10.05 Book Review. 10.15 Programmes for elementary schools. 10.35 "Radiodea." 11.00 News in easy Hebrew. 11.05 Ivrit La'am. 11.15 Programmes for elementary schools. 11.35 Miniatures. 12.05 (repeat) Marina & Yelena Bondarenko — Mozart: Sonata in A; Prokofiev: Sonata in F. 1.05 Popular Classics. 1.55 Programme Trailer. 2.10 Mother and Child. 3.05 "Radio-Story." 3.35 Talmud Lesson. 3.55 *A. Allon's Corner.* 4.10 Classical Request Programme: Albinoni: Adagio; Franck; Piano Quintet. 5.10 "The March in Serious Music" (Schleifer). 6.07 "The World of an Adult." 6.55 For the Farmer. 7.05 "Today." 7.50 Bible Reading. 8.05 Discussion. 8.55 "Five to Nine." 9.05 *A Moment of* Hebrew. 9.06 Cantorial Request Programme. 9.45 "The Open Microphone." 10.05 Composer Yehoyachin Stutchevsky talks about his way as artist. 11.05 An Hour of Jazz. 12.10 A Moment of Poetry. 12.15 Close Down.

SECOND PROGRAMME
457, 423, 249, 256 and 240 M.
5.58 a.m. Opening. 6.00 Religious Service. 6.10 Gymnastics. 6.20 Musical Clock. 8.55 Programme Announcements. 6.59 A Moment of Hebrew. 7.05 "This Morning." 7.35 Hebrew Songs. 7.55 "Green Light." 8.10 "Good Morning." 8.55 Announcements. 9.05 "Good Morning" (cont.). 10.05 "Here at Home." 11.45 "A Few Moments with..." 12.05 Programme for the Worker and the Employer. 12.30 Hebrew Songs. 1.05 "At Midday." 2.10 Requests. 3.05 Hebrew Songs. 3.55 "Names and Events in the Jewish Scene." 4.10 "Pop and Entertainment Magazine." 6.05 "Songs from Father's Home." 6.45 Today's Sport. 6.55 Announcements. 9.05 A Moment of Hebrew. 9.06 "Musical Encounters." 10.05 "Not by Bread Alone." 11.05 Songs and Tunes. 1.05 Close Down.

FIFTH PROGRAMME
445 M.
6.58 Opening. 7.00 News. 7.02 Old Favourites. 8.00 News. 8.05 Old Favourites.

IMMIGRANTS' HOUR
457, 423, 256, 249, 255 and 240 M.
7.00 p.m. News in easy Hebrew. Ivrit La'am. 7.15 Georgian. 7.30 Yiddish. 8.00 Ladino. 8.15 Mograbi. 8.30 Rumanian. 8.45 Russian. 9.30 Close Down.

ENGLISH NEWS AND PROGRAMMES
7.00 a.m. (4th programme and short waves); 2.00-2.30 p.m. (4th programme and short waves); 6.00 p.m. (4th programme); 10.00-10.55 p.m. (short waves).

FRENCH NEWS AND PROGRAMMES
7.15 a.m. (4th programme and short waves); 2.30-3.00 p.m. (4th programme and short waves); 6.05 p.m. (4th programme); 8.15-8.30 p.m. (4th programme). 12.00-1.00 a.m. (short waves).
4th Programme — 407, 445 and 292 M.
3rd Programme (short waves) — 16, 19, 25 31, 33, 41 and 49 M.

GALEI ZAHAL
236, 240 and 220 M.
5.03 a.m. Morning Tunes. 5.58 Morning Prayer. 6.10 Morning Tunes. 6.55 Gymnastics. 7.05 Requests. 7.55 Programme Trailer. 8.05 Zahal's Newsreel. 9.05 Requests. 10.05 "What a Beautiful Day." 12.0 "Midday Star." 12.15 The Arabic corner. 12.40 "Who Wins and Who Loses." 12 "Strange Professions." 1.05 "Arrivederci Roma." 1.55 Announcements. 2.05 "At Mi day." 4.05 "By Request." 5.05 Zahal's Newsreel. 6.25 Programme Trailer. 6.30 "Tw Shillshom" by Shai Agnon (chap.7.) 7. Foreign Hit Parade. 9.30 Jazz. 10.05 "Wi One Military Unit." 11.05 "Salt and Pepper 11.45 Zahal's Newsreel. 12.05 "Night Birds 3.05 "We Don't Want to Sleep."

ISRAEL TELEVISION SERVICE
5.30 Circus. 5.40 "Disneyland." 8.00 "The Pallisers." 9.00 Mabat. 9.30 Documentaries: 1) "Ashkelon-Eilat Pipeline." 2) "The Press." 10.00 "Ill Met by Moonlight" (1957) with Dirk Bogarde and Marios Goring. 11.30 News.
Educational: 8.15 English 6. 8.40 Literature 2-8. 9.05 English 7. 9.25 Improve your Hebrew. 10.00 English 9. 10.20 Science 2-8. 11.05 English 8. 11.25 English 8. 12.00 Biology 9. 12.20 Geometry 6. 12.40 Handiwork. 1.05 Electricity 10. 1.25 Literature. 4.00 Story. 4.13 "Chita." 4.30 Sir Francis Drake. 5.00 Music in Theatre. *Arabic: 6.30 News. 6.32 "For youth."* 7.05 "Know Israel." 7.27 Programme Review. 7.30 News.

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Jerusalem 4, 7, 9
ARNON: My Michael; **CHEN:** Ain Darling; **EDEN:** Super Cops; **EDISON** Namak Haraam 4, 6.45, 9; **HABIRAH** Hennessy; **JERUSALEM:** The Godfather N 2 4, 8; **MITCHEL:** Scenes from a Marria 5.45, 9; **ORGIL:** Le Retour Du Grand Blo Part II; **ORION:** The Drowning Poo **ORNA:** "W"; **RON:** The Gambler **SEMADAR:** Funny Lady 7, 9.15.

TEL AVIV
4.30, 7.15, 9.30
ALLENBY: Romeo and Juliet 6.45, 9.1 **BEN YEHUDA:** Dirty Innocents; **CHE** Earthquake 7, 9.30; **CINEMA ONE:** Sha Treasure 4.30, 7.30, 9.30; **CINEMA TW** Taming of the Shrew 10.30, 12.30, 2.30, 4. 7.30, 9.30; **CINERAMA:** Mandingo 7, **DEKEL:** Funny Lady; **DRIVE IN** Kadeyng, 5.30; Guess Who's Coming Dinner, 7.15; The Black Belly of t Tarantella, 9.30; **ESTHER:** Emmanue 4.30, 7.30, 9.30; **GAT:** The Happy Hooke **GORDON:** My Michael 4.30, 7.30, 9.30; HO Return of the Pink Panther; **LIMO** Hennessey 4.30, 7.30, 9.30; **MAXIM:** passionata; **MOGRABI:** The Mean Machi 4.30, 7, 9.30; **OFHIR:** The Drowning Po **ORLY:** Lenny 4.30, 7.30, 9.30; **PARI** General Idi Amin Dada 10, 12, 2, 4, 7.15, 9. **PEER:** The Godfather part II 4.45, 8. **RAMAT AVIV:** Daring 7.15, 9.30; **ROTH** On The Waterfront; **STUDIO:** Shampo **TEL AVIV:** Green Hornet; **TCHELET:** T Emigrants 6.45, 9.30; **ZAFON:** Le Rob Du Grand Blond.

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AMPHITHEATRE: The Streetwalker 4 6.45, 9.00; **ARMON:** The Ten Co mandments Sat. 4.30, 8.15, week 4.00, 8 **ATZMON:** Tommy 4.00, 6.45, 9.00; **CHE** The Godfather part 2 Sat. Night 5.30, Weekdays 4.30, 8.15; **MIRON:** Ben H **MORIAH:** A Warm December 6.45, **ORDAN:** A Mother's Fate; **ORION:** Ou bury Tales No. 2; **ORAH:** Alice Doesn't Here Any More; **ORLY:** Emmanuelle 9.00; **PEER:** The Tamarind Seed; **RON:** Apprenticeship of Duddy Kravitz 4.00, 9.00; **SHAVIT:** Young Frankenstein 9.00.

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ARMON: The Front Page 4.00, 7.15, **HADAR:** The Tamarind Seed 4.00, 7.15, **LILI:** Alice Doesn't Live Here Anymore 9.30; **OASIS:** Peepers in the Hotel Room 9.30; **ORDEA:** Scenes from a Marriage **RAMA:** Hot and Naked 7.15, 9.30; **RA GAN:** Vincent Francois Paul & the Ot 7.15, 9.30

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BUSINESS & FINANCE

TEL AVIV STOCKS

Natad dollar rallies

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Natad dollar, after faltering for the past few days, went up seven points yesterday to stand at IL8.12.

There was a demand for $146,000, and some $209,000 were traded.

Dollar-linked bonds continued downward; and Electric Corp. B, falling nine points to 278.5, was declared "sellers only." The overall drop in dollar-linked bonds was estimated by financial circles as about 3 per cent.

Index-linked bonds were up one to two points. The turnover in bonds came to IL14,927,500.

Stocks continued to decline sharply. The turnover in stocks came to IL6,773,000, of which IL2,286,200 was in the variables.

The General Index of Share Prices fell by 0.49 per cent to stand at 129.95.

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DEBENTURES LINKED TO THE DOLLAR			
Dead Sea Junior	r	333	—
Electric Corp. A	r	252	255
Electric Corp. B	r	278.5	289
LINKED to the C.L. INDEX (Principal & Interest)			
...ts 1965, Index 110.1	b	457	453
...ahon 1966, Series 41	b	318	315.5
...ahon 1969, Series 41	b	162	162
COMMERCIAL BANKS & BANKHOLDING COMPANIES			
...ar Hityashvut	r	198	198
...B. pref.	r	347	347
...B. Bankholding	r	228	227
...ion Bank "A"	r	263	265
...scount Bank "A"	r	483	480
...ited Mizrahi Bank	b	172	173
...nk Hapoalim—10%	b	254	250
...nk Leumi "A"		209	219
MORTGAGE BANKS			
...n. Mortgage Bank	b	224.5	226.5
...rmel Mortg. & Inv.	b	166.5	169.5
...v. & Mortg. Bank	b	239	238
...using Mortg. Bank	b	166	167
...fahot 8%		239	241.5
...fahot	b	235	242.5
SPECIALIZED FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS			
...d. & Dev. Bank 8%	r	82	82.5
...veh	r	395	401
...ssneh Insurance	b	241	241
...har — "C"	b	285	285
COMMERCIAL SERVICES & UTILITIES			
...tor House	b	75	75.5
...lek C	r	185	190
...ld Storage—IL10	r	199	192.5
...ael Electric Corp.	r	227	229
...hterage & Supply	r	156.5	157
LAND, BUILDING DEVELOPMENT AND CITRUS			
...oria	r	133	185
...ios Isr. IL10	r	286	288
...Land Dev.	b	128	124.5
Solel Boneh—10%	b	163	165
Property & Building	r	235.5	236
Isras	b	166	168
Mehadrin	r	295	294
I.C.P. Israel Citrus	r	126	127
Anglo-Isr. Investors	b	252	252
Neot Aviv	r	149	154
Pri Or Ltd.	r	269	269
Rassco—8%	r	138	138.5
Rassco—O.	r	97	97
INDUSTRIAL			
Alliance—B	r	600	600
Elco—2.5	b	174.5	176
Electra—6	r	174.5	172
Argaman—8%	b	365	370
Ata—C	r	127	129
Dubek	b	361	367
Elec. Wire & Cable	b	154	156
Teva		1400	1400
Chem. & Phosphates	r	183	185
Lewin Epstein	b	89	89
Moller Textile	r	177	180
Phoenicia—8%	b	93	93
Paper Mills	r	340	345.5
Assis "B"	r	228	221
Nechushtan	b	560.5	560.5
Elite (A)	r	320	323
Shemen—8%	b	135	136
"Taal" Plywood	b	184	180
INVESTMENT & HOLDING COMPANIES			
Elgar	b	139.5	139
Ellern	b	194	190
Israel Central Trade	r	210	212
Bank Hapoalim	b	220	220
Paz	b	163	164
Wolfson—IL10	b	106	106
Ampa	r	133.5	134
Discount Bank	b	252	256
United Mizrahi	b	173	174
Bank Leumi	r	200.5	205
Piryon Investment	r	199	197
Hassuta-For. Trade	r	93	95
Export Bank	b	87	89
Clal Investment	r	211	213
Clal Industries	r	135	138
FUEL & OIL			
Naptha OTC	r	439	429
Lapidoth OTC	r	558	533

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WALL STREET Closing Tuesday, October 21, 1975

Market moves ahead

NEW YORK (AP). — Encouragement over signs of an improving economy and falling interest rates kept the stock market moving ahead yesterday.

The Dow Jones average of 30 industrial stocks closed 4.57 higher at 846.82. Advancing issues outpaced declines 971 to 454 among the 1,854 traded on the New York Stock Exchange.

Volume reached 20.80 million shares, the heaviest total since 20.83 million were traded on September 19.

Some key short-term interest rates fell sharply during the day following Federal Reserve transactions which had the effect of injecting funds into the money markets. Analysts said the market also seemed to draw further support from the government's report Monday of the biggest quarterly rise in the Gross National Product in 20 years.

...rco Inc	19 1/8	Champ Sps	[illegible] 1/4	Genesco	4 7/8	Miles Lab	25	Singer Co	11 5/8
...can Alu	20 1/4	Chrysler	10	Ga Pac	43 1/4	Minn M M	59 7/8	Smithkline	54
...llied Ch	34 1/2	Citicorp	[illegible] 1/4	Getty O	185 1/4	Mobil Oil	46 1/4	Sony	9 5/8
...llied Str	43 1/2	Cities Svc	[illegible] 5/8	Gillette	27 7/8	Monsgm	7 1/2	South Ry	51 1/2
...llis Chal	12 3/8	Coca Cola	[illegible] 3/4	Goodric	16 7/8	Monsan	78 5/8	Sperry Rnd	43
...lcoa	35 7/8	Colg Pal	[illegible] 3/8	Goodyr	20 3/4	Moor McCor	49	St Brands	39 1/2
...max	47 3/8	Colu Gas	25	Grace & Co	25 1/2	Morgan J	53 1/8	St Oil Cal	32
...m Airlin	7	Colum Pict		Grt A & P	12 1/8	Nabisco	35	St Oil Ind	46 3/8
...m Brdcst	22 3/4	Comsat	[illegible]	Greyhound	13 1/8	Nat Distil	15 7/8	St Oil Oh	73
...mer Can	28 3/4	Con Edis		Gulf Oil	22 7/8	Nat Cash R	25 1/4	Sterl Drug	19 1/8
...Cyan	24 7/8	Cont Can		Gulf Wn	21 1/8	Nat Indust	13	Stu. Wor	39 3/4
...Home	35 7/8	Cont Oil		Heller Int	24 1/4	Norwest Air	19 3/4	Sun Oil	31 3/4
...mer Mot	5 3/8	Cont Tel		Hew Pack	101	Occ Pet C	16 1/8	Teledyne	21 7/8
...m Stand	14 1/8	Cont Data		Honeywel	34 1/4	Olin Corp	26 7/8	Tenneco	24 3/4
...mer T & T	45 3/8	Corning	41 1/4	House N G	58 7/8	Otis Elev	36 1/2	Texaco	24 7/8
...MF Inc	19 1/4	CPC Intl	43 3/8	IBM	212 7/8	Owen Ill	46 5/8	Texas Gulf	26 7/8
...naconda	16 3/8	Crown Cork	20 5/8	Int Harv	23 5/8	Pac A Gs El	21 5/8	Texas Instru	100
...A Ltd	35 5/8	Crwn Zell	35 1/4	Int Nickel	23 5/8	Panam W A	4 1/4	Textron	21 1/2
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...tl Rich	99 3/4	Dan River	5 3/4	Int T & T	20 7/8	Pepsi Co	79 1/4	TriCon	20 1/2
...vco	5 3/4	Deere Co	50	Interpublic	16 1/4	Pfizer	28 1/8	TRW Inc	25
...ell How	17	Dow Chem	90 3/4	John Man	20 3/4	Phelps D	32	Twent Cent	14
...endix	44 3/4	Dyess Ind		John Job	87	Phil Morr	51 1/8	UAL Inc	24 1/4
...enguet	2	Dupont		Kais Alum	24 7/8	Phil Petro	56	Unil Ltd	UNSOLD
...eth St	36 1/2	East Airlines		Kenn Cop	29 1/4	Polaroid	33 3/4	Unil NV	37 3/4
...oeing Co	29 1/2	E Kodak	102 5/8	Koppers	3[illegible]	Proct GM	89 1/8	Un Carbide	56 1/8
...ois Cas	23 3/4	Eaton	27 3/4	Libb O Fd	18 1/4	Qukr Oat	19 1/2	Uniroyal	9 3/8
...org War	18	El Paso NG	11 1/4	Ligg My	31 1/4	Ralston P	44 3/4	Unit Brands	5 1/2
...raniff	6 3/4	Esmark	26 1/2	Litton Ind	6 7/8	RCA	19	US Indust	4
...rist My	69 1/4	Exxon	92 7/8	Lockheed	8 1/8	Revere Cop	7	US Steel	65 3/4
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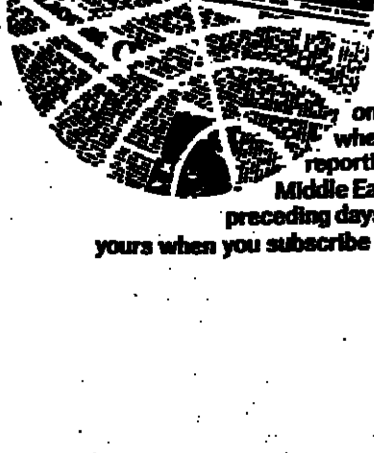
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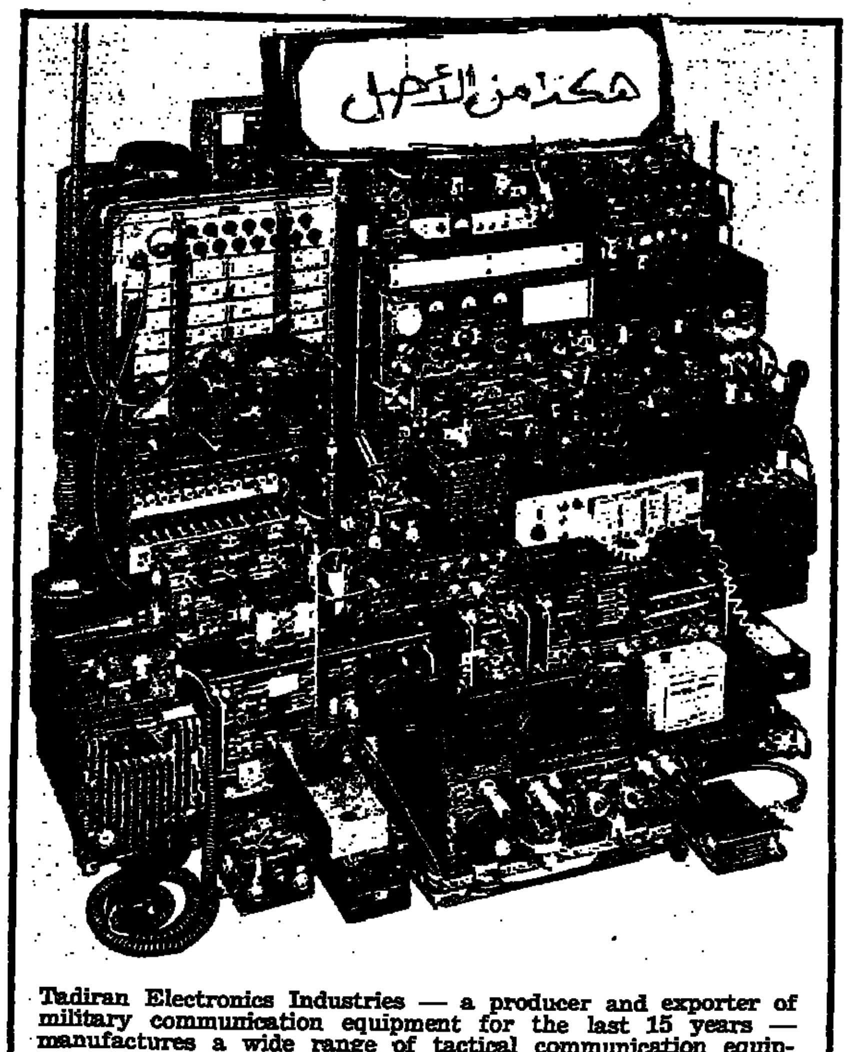
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Research is key to exports

By AARON SITTNER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

"New York is not Petah Tikva... Though virtually limitless, the American market is highly competitive... If Israel's manufacturers are willing to spend a little time and effort to learn, their exports to the U.S. would zoom."

This bit of business philosophy did not come from a Jewish businessman passing through Tel Aviv during a brief visit as member of some UJA mission from America. It came from a Tel Avivian who has studied, still studies and will keep on studying the U.S. consumer market as industriously as a combat general studies his battle strategy. He is Elisha Galon, executive director of the Israel-American Chamber of Commerce.

Galon, a Brooklynite who came here 24 years ago and spent 10 years in the Israel Air Force, said in a recent interview: "Marketing in the U.S. is a sophisticated science and you cannot blame our businessmen for not being experts. They are accustomed to selling in Israel, which has always been a seller's market. Why, you can sell almost any product here. But to succeed on the American market — the best market in the world — you must engage in serious market research. And that's where we try to help our members."

Armed with a steady flow of national and regional market studies, Galon and his staff keep a close watch on changes in buying habits — all the way down to the county level. They pass their findings on to any of the chamber's 250 members who are flagged as interested in particular markets.

The quality of Israel's products is beyond question, says Mr. Galon. But design and packaging could certainly be improved, since these factors — on the American market, at least — can make or break a product.

Another thing to watch out for is delivery dates. "The American importer who orders here doesn't want to know about port strikes, truckers' go-slows or delays due to *miluim* service of factory workers. If they place an order they expect it to arrive on time."

Mr. Galon thinks it is silly for Israel exporters to aim for the so-called "Jewish Market" in the U.S. and pleads for a clear-cut differentiation between business and sentiment. But this is sometimes impossible, he admits.

He recalled the case of a trade dispute he was called on to settle between an American and Israeli firm. In one of the letters from the former, the company attorney wrote that the president of the firm has always been a substantial contributor to the UJA. However, in view of the unpleasant experience with the Israeli trading partner he might reconsider his commitment "to the fund drive."

Since international trade is a two-way street, the Israel-America Chamber, in conjunction with eight sister organizations in North America, also furnishes information to American businessmen interested in selling to this country.

"Israel is a billion-dollar market for overseas suppliers," he notes. Consulting latest U.S. Department of Commerce figures, he points to the fact that Israel is now America's 22nd largest trading partner, up from rank 43 only a few years ago.

VAT and inflation

By MOSHE ATER
Jerusalem Post Economic Editor

THE DISCUSSION about VAT is warming up again. The date originally set for its imposition — October 1 — has come and gone. Finance Minister Rabinowitz has promised that VAT will come into force in January, but the Histadrut is as staunchly opposed to it as ever, and the issue is still hanging fire.

The arguments in favour of VAT are too well known to need recapitulation. But its opponents are also mustering weighty arguments, warning in particular against VAT's imposition at a time of rising prices, when the entire tax-burden could be passed on to the consumers, while traders and manufacturers get away with a windfall gain on their inventories. Moreover, in such circumstances, holders of linked debentures are likely to gain at the expense of the taxpayer. These arguments have been aptly summed up in the article by Dr. A. Bergmann, published in *The Jerusalem Post* on September 22.

The matter must, however, be considered from a wider angle. VAT has been recommended by economists and fiscal experts in spite of its possible price-upping anti-social impact, as part of a comprehensive tax reform. Indeed, it was suggested as the best start for this reform, because the revenue raised by VAT could then provide a reserve to offset cuts in income tax rates and finance an expansion of our inadequate welfare system. This suggestion was initially made years before the Yom Kippur War, when inflationary pressure was relatively limited as would have been VAT's unwelcome side-effects.

Nevertheless, this approach was then, as now, obstructed by the Histadrut, and as a result the tax reform was delayed. Thus, when the State's financial expenditures soared, in the wake of the last war, it could not raise the required revenue in an efficient and equitable manner. Instead, it resorted to a hodgepodge of tax hikes, forced loans and deficit spending, with calamitous consequences for both economic performance and social morale.

When the income tax reform was carried out at long last, it was inevitably accompanied by loss of revenue and an increase in dispensable income, both of which only served to worsen the persistent inflation. Now, more taxes are recommended in order to mop up the excess purchasing power, and to close the government's deficit gap.

The steps taken last month will not be the last in this direction. The imposition of VAT — although belatedly — may therefore be imperative. But since most of our economy is now operating on a cost-plus basis, footed by the Treasury, new charges are likely to be passed on. They will thus add to the inflationary spiral without actually being effective. Nobody any longer expects that VAT — initially levied at a modest rate — will stop the rot. Yet, though the old arguments against it now carry double weight, that does not mean we can dispense with VAT.

The most worrying aspect of the VAT debate is that no solution at all is in sight for our current fiscal malaise. The taxes on fuel and luxuries suggested by Dr. Bergmann may be excellent as far as they go, but can still yield only a fraction of the required amounts. The Treasury must also have been thinking along these lines, but the net revenue expected from the most recent tax hikes will amount at most to IL2b. on an annual rate, and the high prices of gasoline and cigarettes are already making themselves felt in declining sales.

Nor is rescue at hand from a tax on net wealth being suggested of late. An administration still incapable of collecting ordinary income tax — and shirking from the collection of VAT — cannot be expected to collect this most complicated and most easily abused form of tax. Indeed, there is no alternative but to resort to VAT, but we — the consumers — will have to pay dearly for having shelved it until now.

Tax Reform

The decisive reason for finally imposing VAT is that without it the income tax reform will certainly fail, with all the dangerous consequences that this would bring. As time goes on, it becomes increasingly clear that success or failure of the reform depends mainly on putting an end to tax evasion by the self-employed, and the crucial factor here is the universal application of bookkeeping. However, public opinion on this point is not encouraging, and is unlikely to improve while inflation rages on. Resort to punitive action is not promising either. But the introduction of VAT can force the issue by making some kind of accounting obligatory for most tradesmen and professionals. On the other hand, retreat from VAT would be widely interpreted as indulgence towards such breaches.

Still, even a better tax system is unlikely to halt our current galloping inflation. One has to bear in mind the size of the problem in order to understand the difficulty of solving it. In the first half of the current fiscal year the Government borrowed from the central bank (in the form of printed money) double the amount budgeted for the whole year. The current annual deficit admitted to by official spokesmen is about IL5b. — which is probably an underestimate, and does not take into account that part of the budget financed by sale of linked debentures.

The total deficit spending therefore comes to not much less than IL1b. a month, or, let us say, one-sixth of the total budget, or close to 1 per cent of our GNP. The new tax package may reduce this deficit somewhat, but it is still too early to ascertain to what extent. Our current tax revenue covers only two-thirds of our ordinary expenditure, leaving the remainder to be financed by borrowing. Putting our fiscal house in order would require an increase of the tax revenue by almost one-half, which cannot be achieved merely by a more equitable distribution of the tax burden.

Galloping inflation just cannot be stopped by conventional fiscal methods. It is therefore small wonder that confidence in our legal tender is fading, that it is increasingly considered "bad money," which should be spent or exchanged into foreign currency as soon as possible. Dr. Bergmann also points to this worrying trend, and demands some corresponding action. He cites the freezing of 10 per cent of all cash balances in 1951 as an example of anti-inflationary shock treatment. But he fails to mention that this step was of no avail as long as deficit spending continued; that inflation slowed down only when a new economic policy was launched in 1952.

Unfortunately, anti-inflationary policy is unlikely to be popular. Prospects for adopting it in the near future are therefore dim. The imposition of VAT, although no panacea, would at least provide us with a potent fiscal instrument which could eventually prove to be of great use.

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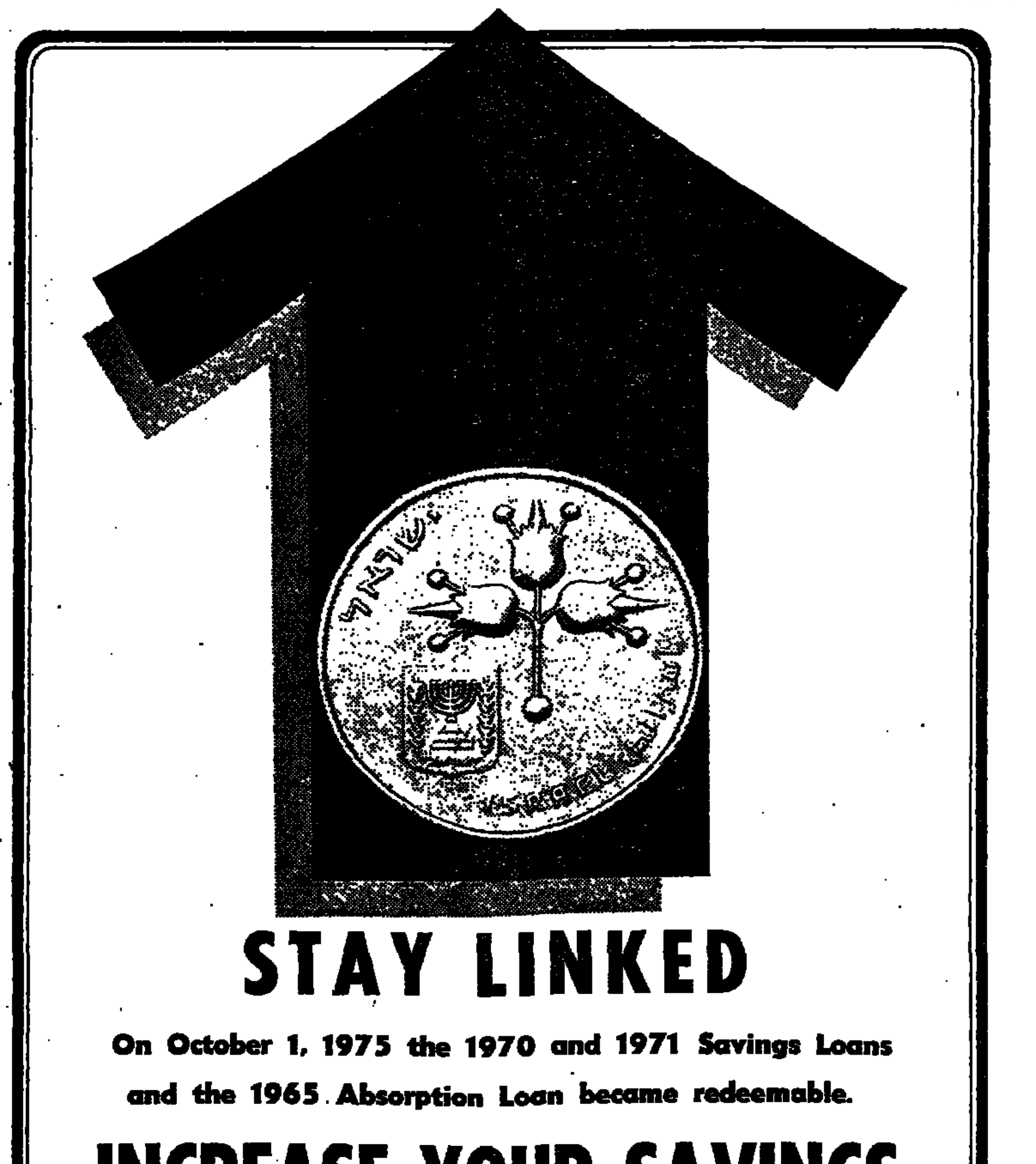
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1. The Government of Israel — Ministry of Labour — plans to improve and expand its system of Vocational/Technical training institutions. The Government of Israel has received a loan from the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD) towards the cost of extensions to four existing vocational/technical training facilities. It is intended that this loan be applied to payment under contracts for which tenders will be invited in due course. The total works will be carried out in four phases, the first being at Holon.
2. The first phase will be the construction of an extension of the Vocational/Technical Training Centre at Holon, the approximate gross area of which will be 2900 square metres.
The structures are expected to be mainly of reinforced concrete and masonry, with related metal, carpentry, mechanical and electrical works.
The preliminary total estimated construction and site-works cost of the first phase is US $830,000.
3. The Government of Israel hereby invites foreign contractors to submit prebid documents in order to qualify to bid for the construction of the project in Holon.
4. It is expected that bids for the Holon project will be invited on or about Dec. 31, 1975, and that bids will be opened on Feb. 27, 1976. Construction of this project is expected to commence on May 2, 1976 and its completion is scheduled for Oct. 31, 1977.
5. Only contractors experienced in similar works, with proper personnel and equipment and adequate financial standing will be considered for prequalification.
Prequalified foreign contractors will be required to register in Israel prior to bidding.
Interested foreign contractors from member countries of the Bank for Reconstructions and Development, and from Switzerland are invited to submit prequalification documents to the Public Works Department of Israel. Duly completed prequalification documents should be returned to the Public Works Department by Nov. 30, 1975.
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Taking the public for a ride

THE GOVERNMENT reacted rapidly to Egged's threat to reduce its bus services. An interim arrangement was reached which prevented the immediate disruption of public transport. However, the authorities' action was not fast enough to prevent disclosure of a financial mess and of an absence of policy.

While the public was taken by surprise by the bus cooperative's ultimatum, the authorities concerned had ample notice of the brewing crisis, and could have avoided the show of force and the subsequent climb down. They had committed themselves to foot Egged's bills without, so it seems, taking the consequences into account. As a result, huge arrears in payment have accumulated — at the very time when budgetary retrenchment is urgently called for and while the new Egged management, without the least regard for the Treasury's plight, is anxious to prove it is doing its best for the cooperative's member-owners.

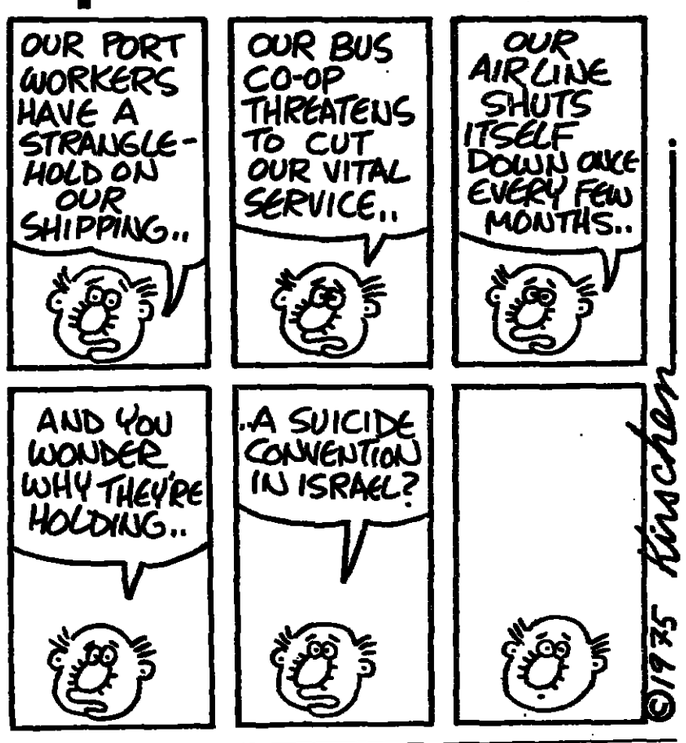
The current subsidy on Egged fares amounts to about IL14m a month, almost one-fifth of the cooperative's own revenue. On top of this, its monthly deficit is now running at about IL15m. Furthermore, it is in acute need of additional operating capital to repay bank overdrafts, settle overdue debts to suppliers, and release vehicles and large stocks of spare parts from the warehouses. Its tax debts alone amount to IL22m., though most of this is offset by the payment arrears of the Defence Ministry. The IL50m. now proferred by the Government is but the first instalment on this account. By the end of the current fiscal year, it is expected to provide about IL200m. in grants or cheap, long-term bank loans.

It is not clear why aid on such a scale should be extended to what is, after all, a private monopoly enterprise. The fact that the bus cooperatives shelter under the Histadrut umbrella scarcely alters their nature as a business. Egged members are now receiving straight salary (apart from the "management fee" they receive on their investment) to the tune of IL3,000 monthly, while their aggregate income (including fringe benefits) has been officially estimated at IL8,000 a month. Over the past two years, their incomes have doubled, while average wages in industry rose by two-thirds. If industrial ventures are now requested to pay their way, and the defence effort is cut for lack of money, one would expect the bus cooperatives to be subject to the same approach.

But no. The authorities not only go on lavishly financing Egged's operations, they have also shown their support for its magnificent scheme of early retirement for 600 of its veteran members, who would have their shares redeemed, and their pension rights advanced, to a total cost of IL200m. Half this amount is to be financed by a long-term loan from Bank Hapoalim, backed by the Treasury's guarantee against eventual C-o-L increment, while the other half is to be provided directly from Government sources. Little wonder that the El Al strikers have been pointing to this scheme as proof of the Government's readiness to go to any lengths to avoid antagonizing powerful pressure groups.

A committee to probe the bus company's finances, and to recommend a policy, was appointed a year ago, but it is not expected to report before mid-1976. The issue cannot be ignored — and the situation allowed to deteriorate — in the meantime. The present state of affairs, in which the Government has no effective say in the management of the bus cooperatives while it pours in millions of the public's money has to be ended forthwith. The appointment of Transport Ministry "observers" to attend meetings of the cooperative's management, is at best a sign of how little has been done in this respect to date; it is not enough to put matters right.

Dry Bones



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HA'ARETZ (independent) says that the royal welcome the Americans are preparing for Sadat is designed to demonstrate how strong the U.S. position has become in the Arab world. Israel cannot look on with equanimity. To date all that has been achieved between Israel and Egypt is a certain relaxation of tension, and it was Israel which made the major contribution thereto. If the arsenals of the U.S. army and its munition plants are opened wide before Egypt, it is doubtful if Cairo will be encouraged to advance any further towards a political settlement with Israel. Far from creating a situation of arms balance, it will jeopardize what balance now exists.

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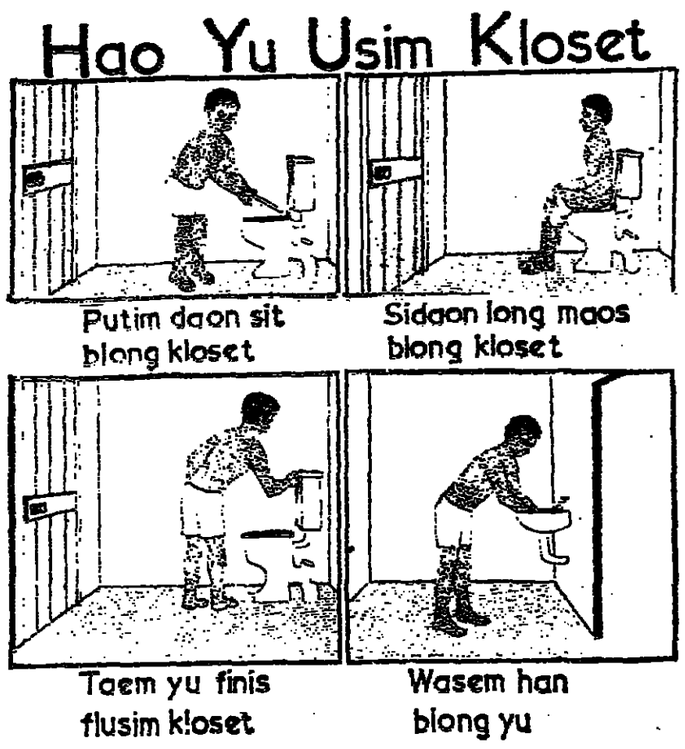
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WITH PREJUDICE — ALEX BERLYNE

Language in the wake of Tanya and the White House is clearly inoperative and *nogud spoilem*



Public notice prominently displayed in public conveniences in the Solomon Islands.

ONE OF THE GREAT political thinkers of the 20th century, Miss "Tanya" Hearst, recently had her conversation tape-recorded at San Mateo County Jail in California. A sample of her style will, I think, suffice to give the general idea: "You see, those things I'm charged with are really f— up. You know? And, ah, and so I just don't know what to do. You know, like, it's one of those things."

Precisely.

Later she told her visitor that if she managed to get bail she wanted to issue a statement that would be "a revolutionary feminist perspective totally."

Whatever her involvement with the bombings, robberies and murders carried out by the SLA, Miss Hearst is clearly guilty of doing violence to the English language, nicely combining hippy incoherence with incomprehensible jargon.

At the same time as "Tanya" was unburdening herself of assorted uhs, likes and y'knows, Senator Hugh Scott was expressing concern about the attempts on President Ford's life: "I am recommending some restraint in unstructured handshaking," the Senate Republican leader said.

As far as I know, the bones of the hand begin to ossify in a child's first year and end (with the pisiform) by the twelfth, so the presidential greeting will in future, if Senator Scott has his way, be denied to infants, children and specially filleted adults.

THE ILLITERACY of politicians seems to be a special feature of our age. G.M.Trevelyan has pointed out that "in the 17th century Members of Parliament quoted the Bible, in the 18th and 19th centuries, the classics, and in the 20th century — nothing."

One of the earliest memorable quotes of our time was Warren G. Harding's "We must strive for normalcy to reach stability." He was easily outstripped by President Eisenhower whose slack, errant prose and "aincere" inexactitudes were parodied by Oliver Jensen. Imagining Ike delivering the Gettysburg address, Jensen wrote: "I haven't checked these figures but 87 years ago. I think it was, a number of individuals organised a governmental set-up here in this country....."

The worst offender, on all counts, was Richard Nixon whose conversational style has been enshrined forever on tape: "I've got to get (inaudible) handle on it so what I am going to do is this — when charges are made — if your charge is made that certain conspirators and so forth and so on — out! even when they are unindicted — out, out — so that takes care of that."

Er, well, I'm afraid it didn't.

NIXON'S COURT developed a special jargon designed to obscure truth at all costs; the Watergate hearings provided a wealth of examples. Edwin Newman, the NBC reporter, has devoted a chunk of his "Strictly Speaking; Will America be the Death of English?" to deflating the pomposities of White House prose which he believes have devalued the language and were primarily intended to conceal the criminal activities of Nixon's team. The sorry state of the language during the Nixon era, Newman believes, was an accurate indicator of the sad state of society.

To *inoperate* polluted the language. "My previous statements are inoperative," stated Ron Ziegler, Nixon's hapless spokesman. This was sometimes superseded by "I misspoke myself." Both simply meant that he'd been caught out in a lie.

As things got tougher the prose became more impenetrable. Ziegler requested more time from the Watergate prosecutor to respond to a subpoena: He needed the breathing space "to evaluate and make a judgment in terms of a response," or, in plain words, to think about it.

Every attempt was made to make the language as amorphous as possible, in order to hide the truth, from euphemism ("plumber" for burglar, "containment" for concealing information) to pomposities which inflated the language into something shapeless and fuzzy. Subject became "subject matter"; before became, "prior to"; said became "indicated"; done became "undertaken" and after became "subsequent to." There is even some evidence that John Dean thought subsequent to meant "before" confused by his own smoke screen.

The whole country was affected. The Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare referred to a $61m. cut in social services as "advance downward adjustments." The Pentagon used terms like "defoliation" and "pacification" for the destruction of a country and its inhabitants.

In Jessica Mitford's recent book, "The American Prison Business," she tells of solitary confinement cells called "adjustment centres" or "meditation rooms". From July 8, 1870 there were no more prisons: in their places stood "correctional facilities" in which the "inmates" were supervised by "correctional officers."

IRONICALLY the chief source of the pollution was in the academies, which should have been the chief filters. Allan Simpson parodied the jargon of sociology in this version of the 23rd Psalm; "The Lord is my external-internal integrative mechanism. I shall not be deprived of gratification for my viscerogenic hungers or my need dispositions. He motivates me to orient myself towards a nonsocial object with effective significance. He positions me in a nondecisional situation. He maximises my adjustment....."

Science and technology were no better and their excesses produced the inevitable reaction. Here are some items from a Technical Glossary published in "The Scientist Speculates," edited by I.J. Good: "Three of the samples were chosen for detailed study" (the results of the others didn't make sense and were ignored); "Typical results are shown" (= The best results are shown); "Correct within an order of magnitude" (= Wrong); "It is clear that much additional work will be required before a complete understanding..." (= I don't understand it).

THERE'S NO NEED to despair over the state of English. Right now it is flourishing in Melanesia, of all places.

I've just been looking at a picture of Prince Charles attending the Papua-New Guinea Independence celebrations. The caption, from the Port Moresby paper, states: "Nar bawan Pikinini blong Miss Kwin."

There's something beautifully unique, inflatable and charming about Pidgin English. Considering the state of the official language, lacerated by politicians and the exponents of the quasi-science, perhaps we should just forget the whole thing and start all over again with bêche-de-mer. The Solomon Islands variety is *diafela tumgudfela* while the White House language is clearly *nogud spoilem*.

(This is the first of two articles).

VIEWPOINT

KEEP EL AL FLYING

By ALEXANDER ZVIELLI

ONCE AGAIN El Al is strike-bound. It makes little difference to its passengers or the Israeli public which one of the company's many workers' committees is responsible. But it is time we stopped taking this too-frequent state of affairs lying down. Each and every Israeli has the right to demand an accounting for the irreparable damage done to the good name of our country and the enormous harm to its economy. For all El Al's aircraft to be standing idle on the tarmac just when there is a slight increase in the tourist movement is an outrage. Some people might call it sabotage.

The frightening heart of the matter is not the additional harm done to our already precarious economy, nor the dangerous pattern set in labour relations. It is that the El Al strike reveals a total lack of a sense of national responsibility and a complete failure to recognize our vulnerability.

Israel's major economic enterprises are not merely large-scale commercial organizations. They each represent a vital strategic position, none more so than El Al. When our national airline is our sole link with the outside world, both in times of peace and in sudden emergency, it cannot be an island to itself. It belongs not to its management, nor to its employees, but to the nation. And the nation cannot stand aside while a few individuals take the law into their own hands. The handful of El Al strikers, who are holding not only the company but also the country and its guests to ransom, must be made to realize their responsibilities. No man is forced to join the staff of El Al. But once he has done so, he must recognize that the national airline has a special status and he must accept the obligations that go with it. Other countries make special arrangements in their work contracts for vital projects.

The compulsory work orders issued to some of the strikers are a poor substitute for a properly organized legal arrangement which would assure the rights and responsibilities of workers and management alike. An independent arbitration panel of experts could deal with complaints, adjustments and revisions of labour codes and work agreements, in cooperation with or under the auspices of the Histadrut. A labour code with teeth and recourse to the courts when necessary could still save us from dangerous contingencies in the future.

The people of Israel have the full right to expect their national carrier to function smoothly. Emergency measures should therefore be devised and adopted immediately so that El Al can be kept flying at all times.

READERS' LETTERS

Overheated economy

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — More and more frequently these days, we hear complaints about the increase in the number of people employed in services and the decrease in the number of those employed in industry, the implication being that we are therefore producing less than we could. All modern economies, however, show a shift away from manufacture to services (similar to the one from agriculture to industry) as a result of automation, mechanization and higher efficiency. Moreover, let us not forget that services include not only Government offices, but also ports, power stations, telephone exchanges, hospitals, schools, universities, hotels etc.

These complaints are not specifically related to export industries, though it is difficult to separate them from industry as a whole, and they suffer from effects of a world-wide recession is doubtful. If any substantial amounts of export orders have been lost because of labour shortages.

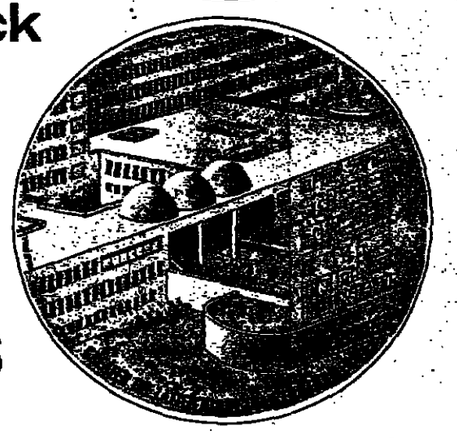
If our industry is short of labour today, it suffers, like the rest of the country, from the overheating of the economy which we should reduce, instead of trying to reverse a natural trend.

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